

House of Assembly
JOURNAL
OF THE
PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL
OF THE
STATE
OF
NEW-JERSEY,

In GENERAL ASSEMBLY convened at TRENTON, on TUESDAY the twenty second Day of OCTOBER the year of our LORD, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-two.

BEING THE FIRST SITTING OF THE SEVENTH SESSION.

TRENTON:

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LIST of Persons returned as MEMBERS of the LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL.

<i>Bergen,</i>	The Honourable	John Fell,	} Esquires.
<i>Effex,</i>		Josiah Hornblower,	
<i>Middlesex,</i>		John Beatty,	
<i>Monmouth,</i>		Elisha Lawrence,	
<i>Somerset,</i>		Ephraim Martin,	
<i>Burlington,</i>		John Cox, <i>Vice-President,</i>	
<i>Gloucester,</i>		Elijah Clark,	
<i>Salem,</i>		Whitten Cripps,	
<i>Cape-May,</i>		Jesse Hand,	
<i>Hunterdon,</i>		Joseph Reading,	
<i>Morris,</i>		John Carle,	
<i>Cumberland,</i>		Theophilus Elmer,	
<i>Suffex,</i>		Hugh Hughes,	

LIST of Persons returned as MEMBERS of the GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

<i>Bergen,</i>	} Esquires.	Isaac Blanch,
		John Outwater,
		Adam Boyd,
<i>Effex,</i>		Caleb Camp,
		Isaac Woodruff,
		Henry Garritse,
<i>Middlesex,</i>		Jacob Suidam,
		John Conger,
		John Combs,
<i>Monmouth,</i>		Thomas Henderson,
		John Covenhoven,
		Daniel Hendrickson,
<i>Somerset,</i>		John Schuurman,
		Edward Bunn,
		Dirck Longstreet,
<i>Burlington,</i>		Thomas Fenimore,
		Israel Shreve,
		Thomas Reynolds,
<i>Gloucester,</i>		Samuel Hugg,
		Joseph Ellis,
		Joseph Cooper,
<i>Salem,</i>		Edward Hall,
		Anthony Sharp,
		Thomas Sinnickson,
<i>Cape-May,</i>		Matthew Whilden,
		John Baker,
		Elijah Townsend,
<i>Hunterdon,</i>		John Lambert,
		Nehemiah Dunham,
		Samuel Tucker,
<i>Morris,</i>		Ellis Cook,
		Aaron Kitchel,
		John Starke,
<i>Cumberland,</i>		Joshua Ewing,
		Ephraim Harris, <i>Speaker,</i>
		Jonathan Bowen,
<i>Suffex,</i>		Isaac Van-Campen,
		Isaac Martin,
		Aaron Hankinson,



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OF THE

STATE of NEW-JERSEY.

TRENTON, Tuesday, October 22, 1782.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

JOHN CARLE,	} Esquires.
JOSIAH HORNELOWER,	
JOSEPH READING,	
JOHN COX,	
JOHN FELL,	
JOHN BEATTY,	

THERE not being a sufficient Number of Members present to proceed to Business—
adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, October 23, 1782.

P R E S E N T,

JOHN CARLE,	} Esquires.
JOSIAH HORNBLOWER,	
JOSEPH READING,	
JOHN COX,	
JOHN FELL,	
THEOPHILUS ELMER,	
ELIJAH CLARK,	
JOHN BEATTY,	
EPHRAIM MARTIN,	

Adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

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Thursday,

Thursday, October 24, 1782.

P R E S E N T,

JOHN COX,	} Esquires.
JOHN CARLE,	
JOSIAH HORNBLOWER,	
JOSEPH READING,	
JOHN FELL,	
THEOPHILUS ELMER,	
ELIJAH CLARK,	
JOHN BEATTY,	
EPHRAIM MARTIN,	

Elijah Clark, Esq. produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of Council for the County of *Gloucester*, which was read, and he took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law, before *John Fell*, Esq. one of the Members returned for this House, and took his Seat in Council; *Ephraim Martin*, *John Fell*, *Theophilus Elmer*, *John Carle*, *Joseph Reading*, *John Cox*, and *Josiah Hornblower* Esquires, severally produced Certificates of their being duly elected as Members of this House, which were read, and they thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law before *Elijah Clark*, Esq. one of the Members of this House, and took their Seats in Council.

John Beatty, Esq. produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of this House, which was read, and he thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law before *John Cox*, Esq. one of the Members of this House, and took his Seat in Council.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Honourable *John Cox*, Esq. was elected Vice-President of the Council, pursuant to the Constitution; whereupon he took the Oath of Office, and was seated in the Chair accordingly.

Bowes Reed, Esq. was unanimously elected Clerk of the Council, and took the Oath of Office accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that a Quorum of the Council have this Day met, elected the Honourable *John Cox*, Esq. Vice-President, and proceeded to Business.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, October 25, 1782.

The House met.

Present, His Excellency the Governor, and as before.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock,

Saturday, October 26, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Camp*, dated Yesterday, in the Words following:

Ordered,
 ' **T**HAT Mr. *Camp* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the House of Assembly have this Day proceeded to Business; and have chosen the Honourable *Ephraim Harris*, Esq. their Speaker.'

Ordered, That Mr. *Beatty* and Mr. *Fell* be a Committee to revise and correct the transcribed

scribed Copy of the Journals of this House for the two last Sitzings, and that after such Rivital and Correction, the President direct *Ijaac Collins* to print them.

The House adjourned till *Monday Morning Ten o'Clock*.

Monday, October 28, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Covenhoven*, in the Words following.

‘Ordered,

‘THAT Mr. *Sharp*, Mr. *Tucker*, Mr. *Ewing*, Mr. *Bunn*, and Mr. *Lambert*, or any three of them, be a Committee for the present Session to join a Committee of the Council on such publick Accounts as may be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature; that the said Committees settle and report all Accounts for the Payment of which when settled Provision is already made by Law; and that they deliver all others to the Committee of this House, appointed to bring in a Bill for defraying Incidental Charges; and that Mr. *Covenhoven* do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for that Purpose.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

Ordered, That Mr. *Elmer* and Mr. *Clark*, or either of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose in the said Message mentioned; and that Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Hornblower* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Henderson*, in the Words following:

‘Ordered,

‘THAT Mr. *Henderson* do wait on the Council, and inform them that this House are ready to go into a Joint-Meeting to elect a Governor and other Officers of the State for the ensuing Year, and do propose that the Council appoint the Time and Place of Meeting.’

Ordered, That Mr. *Beatty* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House will be ready to go into a Joint-Meeting on *Wednesday* next, at Three o’Clock P. M. at the House of Mr. *Witt*.

Mr. *Beatty* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Henderson*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following transcribed Instructions to the Delegates representing this State in the Congress of the United States:

“To the Honourable ELIAS BOUDINOT, JOHN WITHERSPOON, ABRAHAM CLARK, JONATHAN ELMER and SILAS CONDUCT, Esquires, Delegates representing this State in the Congress of the United States.

“GENTLEMEN,

“THE Legislature are informed, since their present Sitting, by a Letter from the Honourable *Elias Boudinot*, Esq. to His Excellency the Governor, that the important and interesting Subject of the Dispute that has long subsisted between the States of *New-York* and *New-Hampshire*, and the People on the *New-Hampshire* Grants, calling themselves the State of *Vermont*, is again under the Consideration of Congress, and also requested to give such Instructions on the said Subject as to them shall appear proper.

“The Legislature, on examining the Journals of Congress, find, that the Recognition, as an independent State, of the People on the *New-Hampshire* Grants, calling themselves the State of *Vermont*, has been resolved on by an almost unanimous Vote of Congress, therefore must conclude that Congress was convinced of the Propriety of the Measure, and are of Opinion that great Regard ought to be had to every Determination of Congress, for Reasons too obvious to mention.

“The Legislature will give their Opinion as to some leading Facts, or, on such general Principles, as may point to the final Determination of the Subject in Dispute.

“And first, If Part of a former Colony should, at the Beginning of the Revolution, have

have separated from the Rest, and assumed the Power of Government, and were in the actual Exercise of an independent Sovereignty *de Facto*, if such People should apply to Congress to be received into the Union, as an independent or fourteenth State, we are of Opinion they ought to be received.

“Second, We are of Opinion that Congress, as sovereign Guardians of the United States, when they conceive the general Safety of the common Cause shall require it, can and ought to receive into the Union, as a separate State, any Territory and People that have been from the Beginning of the Revolution, in the actual Possession of Sovereignty and Independence *de Facto*, without examining into the Right and Title of such People *de Jure*.

“Third, That from the Resolutions of Congress, of the 7th and 20th of *August* 1781, it appears that Congress ought to receive them into the Union, as an independent State, provided they have complied with the Preliminary therein contained.

“Fourth, That the shedding the Blood of our Citizens, and every Appearance of a Civil War among ourselves at all Times, but especially at so critical a Period, should be strenuously avoided; but should Congress determine to compel Submission (which however we cannot entertain an Idea of at this Time) the Legislature takes this Opportunity, through their Delegates, to assure them, that the Matter must appear very different from what it now does before they will consent to imbrue their Hands in the Blood of their Brethren, who have fought and bled in one common Cause with them, or to risk the Lives of the People of their Charge in the Attempt.

“You are therefore instructed to govern yourselves in the Discussion of this Business on the aforesaid Opinions, and to use your utmost Endeavours in Congress to bring the Matter to such an Issue, as will be most likely to conduce to the general Weal of the Union, and at all Events to oppose every Measure that will endanger the involving the States, or any of them, in a Civil War.”

Which Instructions having been read and debated; after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.

Tuesday, October 29, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Petition from a large Number of the Inhabitants of the County of *Essex*, setting forth that the late Election held in the said County for Representatives, Sheriffs and Coroners, was illegal, and praying a Hearing, was read; whereupon it was ordered, that the Petitioners be heard on *Friday* next.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the transcribed Copy of Instructions to the Delegates in Congress, sent from the House of Assembly to this House Yesterday for Concurrence, and, after being debated, the following Amendments were proposed by Mr. *Beatty*:

To the Honourable ELIAS BOUDINOT, JOHN WITHERSPOON, ABRAHAM CLARK, JONATHAN ELMER and SILAS CONDUCT, Esquires, Delegates representing this State in the Congress of the United States:

GENTLEMEN,

APPPLICATION having been made to the Legislature for Instructions on the important Subject of Dispute, subsisting between the States of *New-York*, *New-Hampshire*, and the People styling themselves the State of *Vermont*, which is shortly to be decided on in Congress, they are of Opinion (as far as they have Documents to direct their Enquiry) that as the Competency of Congress was deemed full and complete at the passing of the Resolutions of the 20th of *August* 1781 (each of those States having made an absolute Reference of the Dispute to their final Arbitrement) that Act must be supposed to be founded in strict Justice and Propriety, nine States agreeing to the Measure, and that great Regard ought to be had to every Determination of Congress where no new Light or Matter is thrown on the Subject to reverse such their Decision, more especially

as it appears that the People of the *New-Hampshire Grants* have, by an Act of their Legislature, on the 22d *February* last, in every Instance, complied with the Preliminaries stated as conditional to such Guarantee. The Legislature cannot conceive, however, that where a People are in the actual Exercise of an independent Sovereignty *de Facto*, it is sufficient to entitle them to be received into the Union without manifest Reference being had to their being independent *de Jure*.

Congress being the Sovereign Guardians of the United States, ought at all Times to prefer the general Safety of the common Cause to the particular and separate Interest of any individual State; but the Urgency of the Case must be extremely great which will warrant a Decision contrary to Justice and Equity. If Jurisdiction only, and not the Right of Soil, is the Object of Contention, the Legislature will never consent to the sending any Part of the Continental Troops into the said Territory to subdue the Inhabitants to the Obedience and Subjection of the State or States that claim their Allegiance only. They disclaim every Idea of imbruing their Hands in the Blood of their Fellow-Citizens, or entering into a Civil War among themselves at so critical a Period as the Present; and would, if the Independence of the People, styling themselves the State of *Vermont*, be the Alternative, submit to it rather than authorize such a Measure.

On the Question, Whether the said Amendments be agreed to, it passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,
Mr. <i>Beatty</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	Mr. <i>Carle</i> .
Mr. <i>Martin</i> ,			

Ordered, That Mr. *Martin* do carry the said Instructions and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Martin* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

Wednesday, October 30, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Outwater*, in the Words following:

THE House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by Council to the Instructions to the Delegates in Congress sent from this House to Council for Concurrence;

Resolved, That this House do disagree to the Amendments made thereto by Council.

Ordered, That Mr. *Outwater* do wait on the Council with the said Amendments and Instructions, and acquaint them therewith.

The House again resumed the Consideration of the Amendments made to the Instructions to the Delegates in Congress; on the Question, Whether the House recede from the said Amendments? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yea.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Carle</i> .	Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Martin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,
	Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .
	Mr. <i>Beatty</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	

Ordered, That Mr. *Clark* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them this House adhere to their said Amendments.

Mr. *Clark* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Bunn*, in the Words following:

Resolved,

THAT the Treasurer of the State be authorized and required to pay to Captain *John Davis*, for the Use of himself and Company, the Sum of *Two Hundred Dollars* in the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State, agreeably to His Excellency's Proclamation, for capturing a certain *William Guibeson*, and delivering him to the Gaoler of the County of *Burlington*, and the Receipt of the said *John Davis* shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much of the Publick Money in his Settlement with the State.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bunn* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,
Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Combs*, in the Words following :

Ordered,

“ **T**HAT Mr. *Tucker*, Mr. *Cowenhoven*, Mr. *Camp*, Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Cook*, or any three of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council, to settle the Accounts of the Treasurer ; and that Mr. *Combs* do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee for that Purpose.”

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* and Mr. *Carle*, or either of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose in the said Message mentioned, and that Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Reading* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Fenimore*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following Instructions to the Delegates of this State, in the Congress of the United States :

“ *To the Honourable ELIAS BOUDINOT, JOHN WITHERSPOON, ABRAHAM CLARK, JONATHAN ELMER and SILAS CONDUCT, Esquires, Delegates representing this State in the Congress of the United States.*

“ GENTLEMEN,

“ **A**PPPLICATION having been made to the Legislature for Instructions on the important Subject of Dispute subsisting between the States of *New-York*, *New-Hampshire*, and the People on *New-Hampshire* Grants, stiling themselves the State of *Vermont*, which is under the Consideration of Congress, they are of Opinion (as far as they have Documents to direct their Enquiry) and as the Competency of Congress was deemed full and complete at the passing of the Resolutions of the 7th and 20th *August*, 1781, (each of those States having made an absolute Reference of the Dispute to their final Arbitrament) those Acts must be supposed to be founded in strict Justice and Propriety, nine States having agreed to the Measure, and that great Regard ought to be had to every Determination of Congress, where no new Light is thrown upon the Subject. or weighty Matters occur to justify a Reversal of such their Decision, and more especially as it appears that the People on the *New-Hampshire* Grants have, by an Act of their Legislature, on the 22d of *February* last, in every Instance, complied with the Preliminaries stated as conditional to such Guarantee.

“ The Legislature, taking up this Matter on general Principles, are further of Opinion, that Congress, considered as the Sovereign Guardians of the United States, ought at all Times to prefer the general Safety of the common Cause to the particular separate Interest of any individual State, and where Circumstances may render such a Measure expedient, it ought certainly to be adopted. As Jurisdiction appears to be the Object of Contention, the Legislature will never consent to the sending any Part of the Continental Troops into the said Territory to subdue the Inhabitants to the Obedience and Subjection of the State or States that claim their Allegiance.

“ They disclaim every Idea of imbruing their Hands in the Blood of their Fellow-Citizens, or entering into a Civil War among themselves at all Times, but more especially at so critical a Period as the present, conceiving such a Step to be highly impolitic and dangerous.

“ You are therefore instructed to govern yourselves in the Discussion of this Business by the aforesaid Opinions, as far as they may apply thereto.”

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting ; after some Time the House returned, and adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

Thursday, October 31, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Council took into Consideration the Instructions to the Delegates in Congress sent from the House of Assembly to this House for Concurrence Yesterday, which were debated, and sundry Amendments made thereto.

Ordered, That Mr. *Martin* do carry to the House of Assembly the said Instructions and Amendments, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Martin* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hugg*, in the Words following :

THE House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by Council to the Instructions to the Delegates in Congress sent from this House to Council for Concurrence,

Resolved, That this House do disagree to the Amendments made thereto by Council.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hugg* do wait on the Council with the said Instructions and Amendments, and acquaint them therewith.

On the Question, Whether the House will recede from their Amendments made to the said Instructions? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,
Mr. <i>Carle</i> .	Mr. <i>Beatty</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .
	Mr. <i>Martin</i> ,		

Ordered, That Mr. *Carle* wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House adhere to their Amendments.

Mr. *Carle* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Friday, November 1, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Burlington*, setting forth that the late Election held in the County of *Burlington* for Representatives, Sheriffs and Coroners, was illegal, and praying a Hearing, was read, and thereupon ordered that the Petitioners be heard on *Monday* the 11th Day of *November* Instant at Three o'Clock, *P. M.*

Mr. *Sharp*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following Instructions to the Delegates in Congress :

“ To the Honourable ELIAS BODDISOT, JOHN WITHERSPOON, ABRAHAM CLARK, JONATHAN ELMER and SILAS CONDUCT, Esquires, Delegates representing this State in the Congress of the United States.

“ GENTLEMEN,

APPLICATION having been made to the Legislature for Instructions on the important Subject of Dispute arising between the States of *New-York*, *New-Hampshire*, and the People on the *New-Hampshire* Grants, filing themselves the State of *Vermont*, which is under the Consideration of Congress, they are of Opinion (as far as they have Documents to direct their Enquiry) that as the Competency of Congress was deemed full and complete at the passing of the Resolutions of the 7th and 20th *August*, 1781, (each of those States having made an absolute Reference of the Dispute to their final Arbitrament) those Acts must be supposed to be founded on strict Justice and Propriety, nine States having agreed to the Measure, and that great Regard ought to be had to every Determination of Congress, where no new Light is thrown upon the Subject, or weighty Matters occur to justify a Reversal of such their Decision, and more especially as it appears that the People on the *New-Hampshire* Grants have, by an Act of their Legislature on the 22d of *February* last, in every Instance, complied with the Preliminaries stated as conditional to such Guarantee.

The Legislature, taking up this Matter on general Principles, are further of Opinion that Congress, considered as the sovereign Guardians of the United States, ought at a

Times to prefer the general Safety of the common Cause to the particular separate Interest of any individual State, and when Circumstances may render such a Measure expedient, it ought certainly to be adopted.

“ The Legislature know of no Disposition of Congress to attempt to reduce the said People to Allegiance by Force; but should that be the Case, they will not consent to the sending any Military Force into the said Territory to subdue the Inhabitants to the Obedience and Subjection of the State or States that claim their Allegiance.

“ They disclaim every Idea of imbruing their Hands in the Blood of their Fellow-Citizens, or entering into a Civil War among themselves at all Times, but more especially at so critical a Period as the present, conceiving such a Step to be highly impolitic and dangerous.

“ You are therefore instructed to govern yourselves in the Discussion of this Business by the aforesaid Opinions, as far as they may apply thereto.”

The Council having taken the foregoing Instructions into Consideration; on the Question, Whether the House concur therein? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Cox,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Fell,
Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Elmer.	Mr. Carle.
Mr. Martin,			

Ordered, That Mr. Elmer do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House concur in the said Instructions.

Mr. Elmer reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, November 2, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Council having heard the Complaints on the *Essex* Election for Representatives, Sheriffs and Coroners, pursuant to the Order of this House of the 29th of *October* last,

Resolved, That the Election of the Member returned to this House appears to have been legal.

Mr. Beatty has Leave of Absence until *Wednesday* next, on urgent Business.

A Petition from *John Brinley*, of the County of *Monmouth*, and a Petition from *Aaron Chew*, of the County of *Gloucester*, setting forth that their Wives have been guilty of Adultery, and praying that they may be divorced, were read;

Ordered, That Mr. Martin and Mr. Beatty be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill declaratory of general Principles whereon to found Divorces.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Morning Nine o’Clock.

Monday, November 4, 1782.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. FELL,	Mr. CARLE,	Mr. READING,
Mr. HORNBLOWER,	Mr. CLARK,	Mr. ELMER.
Mr. MARTIN,		

Mr. Martin, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill declaratory of the general Principles whereon to found Divorces, brought in a Bill according to Order, intitled, ‘ An Act authorising the Supreme Court to grant Bills of Divorce;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Dunham*, in the Words following:
‘ *Resolved*,

Resolved,

THAT His Excellency the Governor be requested to order a Guard to take Charge of and forward to the Secretary of War in *Philadelphia* twenty-one Prisoners of War, now confined in the Gaol of the County of *Hunterdon*, taking from him a Receipt for the Delivery of the same, and that this State will defray the Expence thereof.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunham* do carry to Council the said Resolution, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,
Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Fell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Tuesday, November 5, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Bowen*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act for making Provision for such invalid Soldiers of this State as may be discharged,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Reading* having Leave of Absence on special Business, and there not being a Quorum of Members left,

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Wednesday, November 6, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for making Provision for such invalid Soldiers of this State as may be discharged,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Hornblower*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, 'An Act for incorporating sundry Persons, Inhabitants of the Western Parts of the Township of *Newark*, in the County of *Essex*, as Trustees of the Congregation to which they belong, by the Name of the Trustees of the second *Presbyterian* Church, in *Newark*;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for making Provision for such invalid Soldiers of this State as may be discharged,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Thursday, November 7, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Hornblower* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Yesterday.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, November 8, 1782.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Beatty*.

Mr. *Van-Campen*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to divide the Township of *Hardwick*, in the County of *Suffex* ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for incorporating fundry Persons, Inhabitants of the Western Part of the Township of *Newark*, in the County of *Essex*, as Trustees for the Congregation to which they belong, by the Name of the second *Presbyterian* Church in *Newark*,’ was read a second Time, debated, and several Amendments made thereto ;
Ordered, That the said Bill as amended be engrossed.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to divide the Township of *Hardwick*, in the County of *Suffex*,’ was read a second Time, debated, and fundry Amendments made thereto ;
Ordered, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, November 9, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to divide the Township of *Hardwick*, in the County of *Suffex*,’ was read a third Time, with the Amendments ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Martin* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Martin* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Beatty* has Leave of Absence until *Tuesday*, on urgent Business.

The House adjourned till Monday Morning Ten o’Clock.

Monday, November 11, 1782.

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. *Beatty*.

Mr. *Hall*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘A supplemental Act to the Act for regulating and establishing Admiralty Jurisdiction,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Hall* also brought to this House a re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to divide the Township of *Hardwick*, in the County of *Suffex*,’ and acquainted this House that the same was passed by the House of Assembly, with the Amendments made thereto by this House.

Which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Jesse Hand, Esq. appeared in the House, and produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of this House, which was read, and he thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law, before the Vice-President, and took his Seat in Council.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for incorporating fundry Persons, Inhabitants of the Western Part of the Township of *Newark*, in the County of *Essex*, as Trustees for the Congregation to which they belong, by the Name of the Trustees of the second
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' *Presbyterian Church in Newark,*' was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Fell,	Mr. Elmer,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Cox.	Mr. Hand.
Mr. Carle,			

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Clark do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, November 12, 1782.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. Beatty.

Mr. Clark reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Yesterday.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Wednesday, November 13, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Fenimore, in the Words following:

' *Resolved,*

' **T**HAT the Treasurer of the State, for the Time being, shall be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Lieutenant *William Pennington* the Sum of *Four Hundred and Forty-one Dollars and Two-thirds of a Dollar*, being the Amount of Pay-Abstracts of the Officers and Soldiers belonging to the second Regiment of Artillery and Artillery Artificers credited to the State as Part of their Quota for the Month of *August 1780*; and the said *William Pennington* is hereby required to transmit a Copy of the said Pay Abstracts to discharged to the Paymaster General of the Army, that the same may be credited to this State.

' *Ordered,* That Mr. Fenimore do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.'

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Whitten Cripps, Esq. appeared in the House, and produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of this House, which was read, and he thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law, before *Elijah Clark*, Esq. one of the Members of this House, and took his Seat in Council.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Thursday, November 14, 1782.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. BEATTY,	Mr. ELMER,	Mr. HORNBLOWER,
Mr. READING,	Mr. FELL,	Mr. CRIPPS,
Mr. MARTIN,	Mr. HAND,	Mr. CARLE.
Mr. CLARK,		

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act authorizing the Supreme Court to grant Bills of Divorce,' was read a second Time, debated, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

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The House met.

Mr. *Combs*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Relief of the Poor of the North Ward of the City of *Perth-Amboy* ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

Friday, November 15, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly of the 12th Instant, relative to authorizing the Treasurer to pay to Lieutenant *William Pennington* the Sum of *Four Hundred and Forty-one Dollars and Two-thirds of a Dollar*,
Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Relief of the Poor of the North Ward of the City of *Perth-Amboy*,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Relief of the Poor of the North Ward of the City of *Perth-Amboy*,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hann* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘A supplemental Act to the Act for regulating and establishing Admiralty Jurisdiction,’ was read a second Time, and several Amendments made thereto ;

Ordered, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, November 16, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Beatty*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act to enable Creditors more easily to recover their Debts from Joint-Partners, within the Colony of *New-Jersey* ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Hann* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Yesterday.

Mr. *Reading* being unwell, has Leave of Absence until next *Monday Week*.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Sinnickson* and Mr. *Henderson*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House the following Impeachment :

‘House of Assembly, *November 16, 1782.*

‘THE Representatives of the State of *New-Jersey* in General Assembly convened, on the Testimony and Charge of divers Persons, duly exhibited before them, against *Robert Wade*, Esquire, one of the Justices of the Peace of the County of *Essex*, for Mal-Practice in the Execution of his Office, as a Justice of the Peace in the said County, do Charge and Impeach the said *Robert Wade*, Esquire, of Mal-Practice in the following Circumstances :

‘First, That some Time in the Month of *May*, 1782, and during the Existence of the
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‘ Law for regulating and establishing Admiralty Jurisdiction, passed the eighteenth Day of *December*, 1781, the said *Robert Wade*, Esquire, did try and condemn a large Quantity of Goods, which sold for *Six Hundred Pounds* and upwards, which were captured by Captain *Thomas Clark* on the Water, without the Body of the said County of *Essex*, in Virtue of his Commission for that Purpose, contrary to the Direction of the said Act, altho’ it appears that the same had been in his Possession some Time before the Trial and Condemnation. And,

‘ Secondly, That, in direct Violation of the 6th Section of the Law under which we presume he must have acted, he permitted the Goods to be sold the same Day in which they were condemned, gave a Certificate of the legal Condemnation and Sale thereof, and a Passport for the same.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Sinnickson* and Mr. *Henderjon* be a Committee to present the Articles of Impeachment against *Robert Wade*, Esquire, one of the Justices of the Peace of the County of *Essex*, to the Council, and to manage the Impeachment before them on the Part of this House.’

Ordered, That a Hearing on the foregoing Impeachment be had this Afternoon at Five o’Clock, and that a Copy of the said Impeachment, together with this Order, be served on the said *Robert Wade*, Esquire, forthwith, by the Managers appointed on the Part of the House of Assembly.

Robert Wade, Esquire, appearing before this House, the Impeachment was read, and the Evidences examined in Support of the Charges therein contained, and also the Defence of the said *Robert Wade* heard; on the Question, Whether the Charges have been so far supported as to render the said *Robert Wade*, Esquire, liable to be dismissed from his Office? It passed in the Negative unanimously.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Afternoon Three o’Clock.

Monday, November 18, 1782.

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. *Reading*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Elmer* and Mr. *Hamd*, or either of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose of revising the Compilation of Laws done by Mr. *Wilson*, pursuant to a Resolution of the Legislature; and that Mr. *Carle* do wait on the House of Assembly, and request them to appoint a Committee for the said Purpose.

Mr. *Carle* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, November 19, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Two Messages from the House of Assembly, dated Yesterday, by Mr. *Garritse*, in the Words following:

‘ THE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of this Day relative to their Committee appointed to join a Committee of this House,

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Henderjon*, Mr. *Penimore* and Mr. *Hugg*, or any two of them, be a Committee to join the Committee of Council for the Purpose in their Message expressed; and that Mr. *Garritse* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ THAT the Treasurer of the State be directed to pay to the Paymaller of the Militia of the County of *Suffex*, the Sum of *Three Hundred and Two Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Nine-pence*, for the Use of Captain *James Bonnel*, being for Provisions furnished the Troops that were under his Command in the Months of *September*, *October* and *November*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-one; and also to Captain *James Bonnel* the Sum of *Twelve Pounds*, being for Expences of procuring Ammunition from *Princeton*, in the Months of *April* and *June*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-two;

ty-two; whose Receipts shall be sufficient Vouchers to the Treasurer for so much of the Publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts

Ordered, That Mr. *Garritfe* do carry the above Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Elmer* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Elmer* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of this Morning.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Wednesday, November 20, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act to enable Creditors more easily to recover their Debts from Joint-Partners, within the Colony of *New-Jersey*,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill, intituled, 'A supplemental Act for regulating and establishing Admiralty Jurisdiction,' was read a third Time with the Amendments; on the Question, Whether the said Bill, as amended, do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Fell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of this Morning.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act to enable Creditors more easily to recover their Debts from Joint-Partners, within the Colony of *New-Jersey*,' was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Thursday, November 21, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Hornblower* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Yesterday.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, November 22, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The different Committees having withdrawn to attend their several Appointments,

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Saturday, November 23, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Committees not having finished their Business,

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The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock *Monday Morning*.

Monday, November 25, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Cooper*, in the Words following :

Resolved,

THAT *Josue Martin* and *Samuel Mader*, Esquires, two of the Commissioners of forfeited Estates for the County of *Suffex*, be, and they are hereby authorized to receive from *Anthony Broderick*, in Discharge of a Sum of Money due from him to the said Commissioners, and borrowed for the Purchase of Provisions for the Use of the Army, to the Amount of *Twelve Hundred Pounds* in Certificates, payable by the State, and given to the said *Anthony Broderick* in his own Name ; which Certificates the said Commissioners shall deliver to the Treasurer, and take his Receipt for the same, which Receipt shall be a sufficient Voucher to the said Commissioners in the Settlement of their Accounts with the Auditor for so much of the publick Money in their Hands.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cooper* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Batty* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Batty* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Whilden*, in the Words following :

Ordered,

THAT Mr. *Whilden* do wait on the Council, and inform them that the Bill, intituled, “ An Act for incorporating sundry Persons, Inhabitants of the Western Part of the Township of *Newark*, in the County of *Essex*, as Trustees for the Congregation to which they belong, by the Name of the Trustees of the second *Presbyterian Church* in *Newark*, is rejected by this House ;” and that the Bill, intituled, “ An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act to enable Creditors more easily to recover their Debts from Joint-Partners, within the Colony of *New-Jersey*,” is passed by this House without Amendment.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Tuesday, November 26, 1782.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Reading*.

Mr. *Brown*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to revive and continue an Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Petition from *Arron Smith*, of the County of *Burlington*, setting forth that he is a Creditor of *Elias Blund*, deceased, who died possessed of certain Proprietary Rights, which, by the Laws of this State, he cannot at present come at, and praying a Law for his Relief, was read :

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* and Mr. *Cripps* be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill for the said Purpose.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to revive and continue an Act, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors,’ was read a second Time, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Wednesday, November 27, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

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The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act authorizing the Supreme Court to grant Bills of Divorce;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the House postponed the further Consideration thereof.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met

Mr. *Elmer*, from the Committee appointed on the 18th Instant, for the Purpose of revising the Compilation of Laws done by Mr. *Wilson*, reported, that he was ready to make Report when the House would be pleased to receive the same;

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately:

Whereupon Mr. *Elmer* read the said Report in his Place, and delivered it in at the Table; and the said Report being again read, was approved of by the House, and is as follows:

‘ **T**HE Committee appointed to join a Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose of revising the Compilation of Laws done by Mr. *Wilson*, beg Leave to report, that they have carefully inspected and examined the Compilation of the Laws performed by *Peter Wilson*, Esq. that they approve the Method observed in the said Work, together with the Comments made thereon, and are of Opinion that the Work is performed with a great Degree of Accuracy and Judgment, and that the speedy Publication of the said Compilation will be of general Utility to the Publick.’

Mr. *Henderson*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, An Act for granting an annual Salary to the Secretary of this State, in Lieu of his Fees on the Commissioners of Justices, Coroners and Militia Officers;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Fell*, from the Committee appointed Yesterday to bring in a Bill for the Relief of *Aaron Smith*, brought in a Bill according to Order, intituled, ‘ An Act subjecting Proprietary Rights in the State of *New-Jersey* to the Payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriff in his Proceedings thereon;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

To-morrow being appointed for Thanksgiving,

The House adjourned till *Friday* Morning Ten o’Clock.

Friday, November 29, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Baker*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ A supplemental Act to the Act for regulating and establishing Admiralty Jurisdiction,’ and acquainted this House that the same was passed by the House of Assembly, with the Amendments made thereto by this House; which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act authorizing the Supreme Court to grant Bills of Divorce;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the same was ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Morning Ten o’Clock, in order that the Committees may have Time to transact their Business.

Monday, December 2, 1782.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. CARLE,	Mr. CLARK,	Mr. HORNBLOWER,
Mr. HAND,	Mr. CRIPPS,	Mr. READING,
Mr. MARTIN,	Mr. ELMER,	Mr. BEATTY.

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The Bill, 'intituled, An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, An Act for granting an annual Salary to the Secretary of this State, in Lieu of his Fees on the Commissions of Justices, Coroners and Militia Officers,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Tucker*, in the Words following:

THE House returned the Consideration of the Accounts reported by the Auditor, and having gone through the same, and it appearing by the State of the said Accounts that the following Sums are due from the State to *Elias Woodruff*, Esquire, the Comissary of Military Stores for this State, the Sum of *One Hundred and Eighty-four Pounds Twelve Shillings and Three-pence*, being the Balance of his Account in Specie.

Peter-Barnet Shaffer, Esquire, the Sum of *Eight Hundred and Eighty-nine Pounds Nine Shillings and Seven-pence*, Continental Money, on the 24th Day of October, 1778, equal in Value to *One Hundred and Sixty-nine Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Nine-pence*, Specie, being the Amount of his Account of Clothing purchased for the Nine Months Men, in the Year 1778.

Colonel *Asher Holmes*, one of the Commissioners for paying Bounty to the Nine Months Men raised in the Year 1776, the Sum of *Six Pounds Ten Shillings*, in Specie, being the Balance of his Account.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to discharge the same.

And it appearing by the said Report, that the following Sums are due from the State to *James Hamilton*, Comissary of Military Stores for this State, the Sum of *Thirteen Pounds Twelve Shillings and Five-pence*, being the Balance of his Account in Specie, exhibited to the 25th November Instant.

Cornelius Harring, Agent for taking Charge of and selling the forfeited Estates in the County of *Bergen*, the Sum of *Twenty-seven Pounds Eight Shillings and Four-pence*, in Specie, being the Balance of his Account exhibited to the 15th October last.

Resolved, That the Auditor be directed to give them Credit for the said Balances in their future Accounts with the State.

And it appearing further by the said Report, that the following Sums are due to the State from *William Kejez*, Esquire, late Paymaster to the Militia for the Counties of *Cumberland* and *Cape-May*, the Sum of *Three Hundred and Seventy-nine Pounds Twelve Shillings and One Penny*, Continental, on the 23d Day of September 1781, equal in Value to *Two Pounds Ten Shillings and Seven-pence*, in Specie.

John Sparks and *Samuel Kughn*, Commissioners for taking Charge of and selling the forfeited Estates in the County of *Gloucester*, the Sum of *One Thousand One Hundred and Three Pounds One Shilling and Two-pence*, in Specie, being the Balance of their Accounts continued from the Settlement in June last, including the same.

Abraham Brower, Agent for the Recruiting Service in the County of *Bergen*, the Sum of *Forty-five Pounds Eleven Shillings and Seven-pence*, in Specie, being the Balance of his Account.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to collect the same agreeably to Law.

Ordered, That Mr. *Tucker* do carry the said Accounts and Resolutions to the Council for Concurrence.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act authorizing the Supreme Court to grant Bills of Divorce,' was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,
Mr. <i>Beatty</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,
Mr. <i>Martin</i> ,			Mr. <i>Carle</i> .

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Martin* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Martin* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Tuesday, December 3, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Beatty*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act for making Process in Courts of Equity effectual against Mortgagors who abscond and cannot be served therewith, or who refuse to appear;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, An Act for granting an annual Salary to the Secretary of this State, in Lieu of his Fees on the Commissions of Justices and Coroners, and Militia Officers,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Negative unanimously.

Ordered, That Mr. *Clark* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

Mr. *Clark* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act for making Process in Courts of Equity effectual against Mortgagors who abscond and cannot be served therewith, or who refuse to appear,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Accounts reported by the Auditor, accompanied with several Resolutions, sent from the House of Assembly on the 2d Instant for Concurrence,

Resolved, That the House do approve of the said Accounts, and concur in the said Resolutions.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Wednesday, December 4, 1782.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Fell*.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act for making Process in Courts of Equity effectual against Mortgagors who abscond and cannot be served therewith, or who refuse to appear,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nim. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Hand* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Camp*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the two following Bills: ‘An Act to repeal the several Acts therein named;’ an ‘Act to compel the Attendance of Witnesses and Jurors at the Courts established in this State for the Trial of Causes cognizable before a single Justice of the Peace;’ which several Bill were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, December 5, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to repeal the several Acts therein named,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

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The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to compel the Attendance of Witnesses and Jurors at the Courts established in this State for the Trial of Causes cognizable before a single Justice of the Peace,' was read a second Time, and several Amendments made thereto;
Ordered, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal the several Acts therein named,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to compel the Attendance of Witnesses and Jurors at the Courts established in this State for the Trial of Causes cognizable before a single Justice of the Peace,' with the Amendments, was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill, as amended, do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Reading* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, December 6, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Kitchel*, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House the re-engrossed Bill, intitled, 'An Act more effectually to compel the Attendance of Witnesses and Jurors at the Courts established in this State for the Trial of Causes cognizable before a single Justice of the Peace,' and informed this House that the said Bill was passed by the House of Assembly, with the Amendments made thereto by this House; which re-engrossed Bill, having been read and compared,

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Mr. *Kitchel* also brought to this House, for their Concurrence, the three following Bills: A Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal an Act, intitled, An Act to secure the Profits of Lands upon the Frontiers of this State to the Owners respectively, who have been compelled to abandon the same:' A Bill, intitled, 'An Act to repeal the Forty-first Section of the Act, intitled, An Act for regulating Roads and Bridges,' passed March 11th, 1774: A Bill, intitled, 'An Act to provide for the Support of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the eighth Day of *October*, 1782, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October*, 1783;' which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Beatty*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intitled 'An Act for the better Regulation of Juries;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Woodruff*, in the Words following:

ON the Representation from *Isaac Halfey*, the House reconsidered such Parts of his Accounts as he prayed Allowance for: Whereupon,

Resolved, That the Sum of *Seven Hundred and Seventy-seven Pounds Twelve Shillings and Eight-pence*, Continental, Part of the Sum disallowed in the Settlement of his Accounts, be allowed to the said *Isaac Halfey*, at a Value equal to *Seven Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Six-pence*, in Specie, and the Auditor be directed to credit the said *Halfey's* Account current with the above Sum.

Ordered, That Mr. *Woodruff* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence.

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The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, December 7, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal the Forty-first Section of the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating Roads and Bridges,' passed *March 11th, 1774*, was read a second Time; whereupon Mr. *Beatty* moved the following Amendments to the said Bill, *to wit*, *Provided nevertheless*, That nothing in this Act contained shall be taken to prevent the said Bridge and Causeway to be hereafter kept up, amended and rebuilt, at the joint and equal Expence of each County, agreeably to the Directions given in the 35th Section of the above recited Act.

On the Question, Whether the House agree to the said Amendments? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,
Mr. <i>Beatty</i>	Mr. <i>Reading</i> .	Mr. <i>Martin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> .
		Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .
		Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third Time.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock *Monday* Afternoon.

Monday, December 9, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Hugg*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for preventing an illicit Trade and Intercourse between the Subjects of this State and the Enemy;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly of the 6th Instant, relative to the Allowance of *Seven Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Six-pence* in Specie to *Isaac Halfey*, heretofore disallowed in the Settlement of his Accounts, *Resolved*, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carle* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Carle* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, An Act to secure the Profits of Lands upon the Frontiers of the State to the Owners respectively, who have been compelled to abandon the same,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Tuesday, December 10, 1782.

The House met—Present as before, except the Governor.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to provide for the Support of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the eighth Day of *October, 1782*, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October, 1783*,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning, in order to give the Committees Time to do their Business.

Wednesday, December 11, 1782.

The House met—Present as before, and the Governor.

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The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal the forty-first Section of the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating Roads and Bridges,’ passed *March 11th, 1774*, was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Fell,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Hand,
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Carle.	Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Reading,
		Mr. Cox,	Mr. Elmer.

Ordered, That Mr. Elmer do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal an Act, intituled, An Act to secure the Profits of Lands upon the Frontiers of the State to the Owners respectively, who have been compelled to abandon the same,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Elmer do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to provide for the Support of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the eighth Day of *October, 1782*, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October, 1783*,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Negative unanimously.

Ordered, That Mr. Elmer do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is unanimously rejected by this House.

Mr. Elmer reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. *Covenhoven*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of *One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds* in the State of *New-Jersey*;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Whereas considerable Arrearages of Pay remain due to many of the Militia of this State, for Services done at different Periods of Time, for Payment whereof no particular Provision hath yet been made; and the Legislature being desirous that some sufficient Mode be adopted for discharging the same; therefore,

Resolved, That the several Militia Paymasters of this State be directed and required to proceed, without Delay, to call upon the Officers of the Militia within their respective Counties for which they are appointed, to make out and produce to them authenticated Payrolls of all the Services done by the Militia, for which Payment hath not already been made; which Payrolls, or the Amount thereof, when obtained, the said Paymasters are severally required to lay before the Legislature at their next Sitting, together with the Accounts of their extra Expences in collecting the same, for Allowance and Payment.

Ordered, That Mr. Fell do carry the above Resolution to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. Fell reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of this Morning.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, December 12, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for preventing an illicit Trade and Intercourse between the Subjects of this State and the Enemy,’ was read a second Time, debated, and, after some Time spent therein, committed to Mr. *Hornblower* and Mr. *Beatty*.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hall*, in the Words following:

Ordered,
THAT Mr. *Hall* do carry to Council the Bill, intituled, “ An Act to revive and continue an Act, intituled, An Act for making Process in Courts of Equity effectual against Mortgagors who abscond and cannot be served therewith, or who refuse

‘to appear,’ and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.’

Mr. *Hall* also presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Recovery of certain Monies due for hiring Substitutes;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, December 13, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* and Mr. *Carle* be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill for appointing a Commissary of Prisoners.

A Petition from *William Baldwin*, and five other Inhabitants of the County of *Essex*, setting forth, that they have purchased of the Devisees of *Richard Ashfield*, deceased, and of the Commissioners of the County of *Essex*, an undivided Right to the greater Part of a Tract of Land containing 3600 Acres, situate at *Newark Mountains*, in the County of *Essex*, commonly known by the Name of *Ashfield’s Tract*; that the legal Title to Part of the said Tract is in one *Redford Ashfield*, who is not at this Time within the United States, and therefore Partition cannot be made, and praying a Law for that Purpose, was read,

Ordered, That the Petitioners have Leave to bring in a Bill, at the next Sitting of the Legislature, for the Purpose mentioned in the said Petition, upon giving Notice of this Order for at least one Month in both the News-Papers of this State.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, December 14, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Ellis*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to provide for the Payment of the several Officers of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the eighth Day of *October*, 1782, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October*, 1783;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Bunn*, in the Words following:

‘THE House having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the Council of the 11th Instant, by Mr. *Fell*, for Concurrence,

‘Resolved, That the House do concur in the said Resolution.

‘Ordered, That Mr. *Bunn* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

Mr. *Townsend*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to establish a Company of Artillery in the City of *New-Brunswick*;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to revive and continue an Act, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors;’ and, after some Time spent therein, it was ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Recovery of certain Monies due for hiring Substitutes,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Morning Ten o’Clock.

Monday, December 16, 1782.

The House met.
P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. CARLE,	Mr. CRIPPS,	Mr. ELMER,
Mr. HAND,	Mr. READING,	Mr. MARTIN,
Mr. FELL,	Mr. CLARK,	Mr. HORNBLOWER.

Mr. *Hand*, from the Committee appointed to bring in a Bill for appointing a Commissary of Prisoners, brought in a Bill pursuant to Order, intitled, ‘ An Act for appointing a Commissary of Prisoners of this State ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Shreve*, in the Words following :
‘ THE Auditor waited on the House and reported the State of fundry Accounts, by which it appears that the Account of *Michael Mount*, one of the Commissioners appointed to purchase Clothing for the Army in the County of *Monmouth*, in a Law passed *November 25, 1777* ; and the Account of *Moro Farman*, Esquire, Agent for forfeited and sequestered Estates in the County of *Hunterdon*, ought to stand balanced ;
‘ Resolved, That the said Accounts do stand balanced.

‘ And it appearing further from the said Report, that there is a Balance due the State from *Nathaniel Hunt*, Esquire, Agent for the recruiting Service, in the County of *Hunterdon*, of the Sum of *Five Hundred and Forty-seven Pounds Five Shillings*, in Specie ; and from *Samuel Forman, Kenneth Hankinson, Joseph Lawrence* and *Jacob Wicoff*, Esquires, Commissioners for taking Charge of and selling the forfeited Estates in the County of *Monmouth*, the Sum of *Six Hundred and Thirty-nine Pounds Eleven Shillings and Eight-pence* ;
‘ Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to collect the same agreeably to Law.

‘ And it appearing likewise by the said Report, that there is due from the State to *Isaac Halfey*, Paymaster to the Militia of the County of *Essex*, the Sum of *Two Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty-two Pounds Four Shillings and Five-pence*, in Specie, and *Six Hundred and Fifty-two Pounds Two Shillings and Five-pence*, in State Money, being the Balance of his Account to the first Day of *December* Instant.

‘ Resolved, That the Auditor be directed to pass the said Sums to the Credit of the said *Isaac Halfey*, in his Account current.

‘ Ordered, That Mr. *Shreve* do carry the said Accounts and Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.’

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, December 17, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to revive and continue an Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Negative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to establish a Company of Artillery in the City of *New-Brunswick*,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. *Longstreet*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act enabling Trustees to sell and dispose of the Real Estate of *Jonathan Hampton*, late of *Elizabeth-Town*, in the County of *Essex*, deceased, for the Uses and Purposes therein mentioned ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act for the Recovery of certain Monies due for hiring Suttiles,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered,

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Reynolds*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following Warrants, *to wit*, A Warrant granting a Pension to *Mary Pain*, Widow of Captain *John Pain*; a Warrant to *Phebe Marfb*, Widow of Sergeant *Joshua Marfb*; and also a Warrant to Captain *Thomas Combs*.

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Warrants, with the Vouchers accompanying the same,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Dunham*, in the Words following:

Resolved,

THAT the Treasurer of the State be directed to pay unto Captain *Benjamin Carter*, of the County of *Morris*, the Sum of *Two Hundred Dollars*, in the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State, in consequence of His Excellency's Proclamation, being for the Use of himself and such of his Company, as assisted in securing *Caleb Swayze*, junior; and the Receipt of the said *Benjamin Carter* shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much of the publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dunham* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to provide for the Payment of the several Officers of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the eighth Day of *October*, 1782, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October*, 1783,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Accounts reported by the Auditor, together with the several Resolutions accompanying the same, sent from the House of Assembly, on the 16th Instant, for Concurrence,

Resolved, That the House do approve of the said Accounts, and concur in the said Resolutions.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Wednesday, December 18, 1782.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. BEATTY,

Mr. HAND,

Mr. ELMER,

Mr. READING,

Mr. CRIPPS,

Mr. CARLE,

Mr. HORNBLOWER,

Mr. MARTIN,

Mr. FELL.

Mr. CLARK,

Mr. *Hornblower* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of Yesterday.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for enabling Trustees to sell and dispose of the Real Estate of *Jonathan Hampton*, late of *Elizabeth-Town*, in the County of *Essex*, Esquire, deceased, for the Uses and Purposes mentioned therein,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

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The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to establish a Company of Artillery in the City of *New-Brunswick*,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. Fell,	Mr. Cox,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Cripps.
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Carle,	
Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Hand,	Mr. Elmer.	
Mr. Martin,			

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Beatty do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Beatty reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the better Regulation of Juries,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; after some Time the House returned, and adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, December 19, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Sinnickson*, in the Words following:

Resolved,
THAT the Treasurer of the State, for the Time being, be directed to pay to *Samuel Hugg*, Esq. out of any publick unappropriated Monies in his Hands, the Sum of *Two Hundred and Four Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Eleven-pence*, being for Money advanced by the said *Samuel Hugg*, Esq. towards recruiting a Company of Artillery consisting of forty-seven Men, in the Year 1776, which said Company is credited in Part of the Troops assigned as the Quota of this State; and the Receipt of the said *Samuel Hugg*, Esq. shall be a sufficient Voucher to the said Treasurer for so much of the publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Sinnickson* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. *Sinnickson*, from the House of Assembly, also presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to enable the Owners of Meadows, situate in *Lower Penn’s Neck*, in the County of *Salem*, adjoining *Delaware River*, to keep in Repair the Dams, Banks, and other Waterworks thereof, leading from a Point of fast Land, in the Possession of *John Callaban* to the fast Land in the Possession of *Thomas Thackery*, and to keep the Watercourses of said Meadow open and clear;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Hornblower*, from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for preventing an illicit Trade and Intercourse between the Subjects of this State and the Enemy,’ reported sundry Amendments thereto, which Amendments being read were agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for enabling Trustees to sell and dispose of the Real Estate of *Jonathan Hampton*, late of *Elizabeth-Town*, in the County of *Eliz*, Esquire, deceased, for the Uses and Purposes mentioned therein,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. Fell,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Beatty.
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Cripps,	Mr. Carle,	
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Hand,	Mr. Elmer.	
Mr. Cox,			

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Martin* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the better Regulation of Juries,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .
Mr. <i>Beatty</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> .		
Mr. <i>Martin</i> ,			

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, Mr. *Martin* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Martin* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for preventing an illicit Trade and Intercourse between the Subjects of this State and the Enemy,’ was read a third Time with the Amendments; on the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Clark* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Clark* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Combs*, in the Words following:

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Combs* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that this House have resolved to adjourn this present Sitting, on *Tuesday* next.’

Ordered, That Mr. *Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them in Answer to their Question, relative to an Adjournment on *Tuesday* next, that the Business before this House must alone determine at what Period they will be able to adjourn.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, December 20, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Ewing*, in the Words following:

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ **T**HAT His Excellency the Governor or Commander in Chief of the State, for the Time being, be authorized and empowered to draw from the Treasurer of the State the Sum of *Sixty Pounds*, at such Time as the same may be necessary, for the Purpose of engaging a Horseman to carry Despatches of a publick and urgent Nature, for the ensuing Year; and the Receipt of His Excellency to the Treasurer shall be a sufficient Voucher for so much of the publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Ewing* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Resolution,

Resolved, That the House do disagree to the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Resolved, That His Excellency the Governor be authorized and requested to furnish himself with an Express to carry such Despatches of a publick Nature, as may be necessary, and to draw any Sum of Money from the Treasurer, not exceeding *Seventy-five Pounds* for that Purpose; and His Excellency’s Receipt shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do carry the said Resolution to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr.

Mr. *Hand* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of *One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*,’ was read a second Time, debated, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable the Owners of Meadows, situate in *Lower Penn’s Neck*, in the County of *Salem*, adjoining *Delaware* River, to keep in Repair the Banks, Dams,’ &c. was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Van-Campen*, in the Words following:

‘ THE House having taken into Consideration the Resolution from Council of this Day by Mr. *Hand*, relative to empowering the Governor to draw from the Treasurer a Sum of Money for hiring Expresses, &c.

‘ *Resolved*, That the House do not concur in the said Resolution.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Van-Campen* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, December 21, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable the Owners of Meadows, situate in *Lower Penn’s Neck*, in the County of *Salem*, adjoining *Delaware* River, to keep in Repair the Banks, Dams,’ &c. was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Reading* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of *One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass?

Yeas.

Mr. *Martin*,

Mr. *Clark*,

Mr. *Cripps*,

Yeas.

Mr. *Hand*,

Mr. *Carle*,

Mr. *Elmer*.

Nays.

Mr. *Fell*,

Mr. *Hornblower*,

Mr. *Beatty*,

Nays.

Mr. *Cox*,

Mr. *Reading*.

By which it appears that there were not seven Members present assenting to the said Bill, and therefore the same did not pass into a Law.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carle* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

Mr. *Carle* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Martin*, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for preventing an illicit Trade and Intercourse between the Subjects of this State and the Enemy,’ and acquainted this House that the same was passed by the House of Assembly, with the Amendments made thereto by this House; which re-engrossed Bill, having been read and compared,

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Resolved, That *Isaac Collins* be directed to insert in his next Week’s Gazette, a Copy of the Act, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for preventing an illicit Trade and Intercourse between the Subjects of this State and the Enemy;’ and to strike off 100 extra Papers, to be distributed in the several Counties as the Legislature shall direct.

Ordered, That Mr. *Elmer* do wait on the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Resolution.

Mr. *Elmer* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Conger*, in the Words following:

‘THE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of this Day by Mr. *Elmer*, relative to directing *Isaac Collins* to print a certain Law therein referred to, in his next Week's News-Paper, &c.

‘Resolved, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

‘Ordered, That Mr. *Conger* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

Mr. *Hankinson*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to enforce the Recovery of the Penalties on forfeited Recognizances, and such other Debts and Forfeitures due to the State as are therein mentioned, and to authorize any Person to prosecute and defend his own Suit in any Court within this State;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Monday Morning Ten o'Clock.

Monday, December 23, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Elmer*, from the Committee appointed to examine and settle such publick Accounts as might be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature, acquainted the House, that he was ready to report when the House would be pleased to receive the same,

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately:

Whereupon Mr. *Elmer* reported that there is due to the several Persons under-named the Sums annexed to their respective Names, *that is to say*,

To Captain *John Outwater*, for the Use of *Thomas Pearson*, a Soldier in the Year's service, for a Gun lost at *Fort Lee* in 1781, £. 3 0 0

To *Thomas Houghton*, for a Gun and Cartouch-Box lost in the Year 1776, 3 10 0

To Captain *Jacob Houghton*, for a Drum lost in his Company, 1 17 6

To *Jacob Harris*, for a Gun and Cartouch-Box, 3 10 0

To *John Smith*, Ditto, 3 10 0

To *Isaac Harris*, for a Gun, 3 0 0

To *John Wellice*, for a Gun and Cartouch-Box, 3 10 0

To *John McElbany*, for Ditto, 3 10 0

To *Jacob Hollingshead*, for Ditto, 3 0 0

To *Daniel Shepherd*, for Ditto, 3 10 0

To *Paul Lipps*, for Ditto, 3 0 0

To *William Smith*, for Ditto, 3 10 0

To *James Shepherd*, for Ditto, 3 0 0

To *Jacob Stump*, for one Cartouch-Box 0 10 0

The last mentioned eleven Persons lost their Arms and Accoutrements in Action at *Quinton's-Bridge* in March 1778.

To *John Cooper*, of *Morris County*, for one Gun and Accoutrements lost in October 1780, 3 10 0

To Doctor *William Burnet*, jun. for Attendance upon *Dickenson Cooper*, a wounded Militia Soldier, in the Year 1780, 1 12 0

To *Jacob Phillips*, Sheriff of *Burlington County*, for dieting State Prisoners 206 Days at 9d per Day, 7 14 6

To Ditto for removing two of the said Prisoners from *Burlington* to *Essex County*, with the Expences of a Waggon and a Guard in January 1782, 28 0 0

To *Edward Lewis*, for a Gun, Bayonet and Cartouch-Box, lost in the Service in October 1780, 2 10 0

To *Charles Allen*, for conveying Ammunition from *Princeton* to *Cumberland*, in March and August 1782, 8 3 1

To Col. *Joseph Ellis*, for the Use of Doctor *Thomas Boulton*, for his Attendance upon and dressing *Andrew Ross*, a Militia Soldier who was dangerously wounded, said Attendance being from the 31st March 1779 till 27th August following, 19 10 6

To *Peter Hulick*, Gaoler in *Trenton*, for his Expences in providing for several Prisoners of War in their Sicknefs, and the Funeral Charges of one of them, and for boarding fifty-one like Prisoners to the Amount of 728 Days at 9^d per Day, and also for transporting 28 of the said Prisoners from *Trenton* to *Philadelphia*, as per Account and Vouchers exhibited from No. 1 to 14, bearing Date from the 1st Day of *October* to the 17th Day of *November* 1782, £. 76 11 5¹

By Order of the Committee,

THEOPHILUS ELMER,
ANTHONY SHARP.

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Lambert*, with a Copy of the foregoing Report, in the Words following :

‘ THE House having considered the said Report,

‘ Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the Persons within named the Sums annexed to their respective Names.

‘ Ordered, That Mr *Lambert* do carry the Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

Mr. *Henderson*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of *One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Exigencies of the Year 1783 ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enforce the Recovery of the Penalties on forfeited Recognizances, and such other Debts and Forfeitures due to the State as are therein mentioned, and to authorize any Person to prosecute and defend his own Suit in any Court within this State,’ was read a second Time, and several Amendments made thereto,

Ordered, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enforce the Recovery of the Penalties on forfeited Recognizances, and such other Debts and Forfeitures due to the State as are therein mentioned, and to authorize any Person to prosecute and defend his own Suit in any Court within this State,’ was read a third Time with the Amendments ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Fell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of *One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Expences of the Year of our Lord, 1783,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Suidam*, in the Words following :

‘ THE Auditor of Accounts appeared in the House, and reported the Account of *Nathaniel Hunt*, Esquire, Paymaster to the Militia of the County of *Hunterden*, to the 1st *November* last, by which there appears to be a Balance due the State of the Sum of *One Thousand and Fifty-two Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Three-pence Half-penny*, in State Money ; and likewise of *Eli Elmer*, Paymaster to the Militia of the Counties of *Cumberland* and *Cape-May*, to the 1st *November* last, by which there appears to be a Balance due from him to the State of the Sum of *One Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty-six Pounds and Three-pence*, in State Money, and of *Ninety-two Pounds Three Shillings and Eight-pence*, in Specie.

‘ Resolved, That the above Accounts as stated be allowed, and that the Auditor be directed to charge the above Balances to their current Accounts respectively.

‘ Ordered, That Mr *Suidam* do carry the said Resolutions and Accounts to the Council for their Allowance and Concurrence.’

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

Tuesday, December 24, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Cook*, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enforce the Recovery of the Penalties on forfeited Recognizances, and such other Debts and Forfeitures due to the State as are therein mentioned,’ &c. and acquainted this House that the same was passed by the House of Assembly with the Amendments made thereto by this House.

Which re-engrossed Bill, having been read and compared,

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Report on the publick Accounts, and also the Resolution from the House of Assembly accompanying a Transcript of the said Report,

Resolved, That the House do concur in the said Resolution, and approve of the said Report.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Hornblower* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

His Excellency the Governor withdrew from Council.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Accounts of *Nathaniel Hunt* and *Eli Elmer*, Paymasters to the Militia, as reported by the Auditor, as also the Resolution accompanying the same,

Resolved, That the House do approve of the said Accounts, and concur in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beatty* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Beatty* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to provide for the Payment of the several Officers of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the 8th Day of *October*, 1782, ‘ and to end the 2d *Tuesday* in *October*, 1783,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Martin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,			Mr. <i>Beatty</i> .

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Martin* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

His Excellency the Governor came into Council.

Mr. *Schuurman*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the two following Bills: A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to explain an Act, intituled, ‘ An Act for making Compensation to the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States, for the Depreciation of their Pay:’ A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying ‘ sundry Incidental Charges;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of *One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Exigencies of the Year 1783,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass?

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Martin</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> .
Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	Mr. <i>Beatty</i> ,	

By

By which it appears that there were not seven Members present assenting to the said Bill, and therefore the same did not pass into a Law.

Ordered, That Mr. Martin do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

Mr. Martin reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for defraying sundry Incidental Charges,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to explain an Act, intituled, An Act for making Compensation to the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States, for the Depreciation of their Pay,’ was read a second Time, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Fenimore, in the Words following :

‘*Resolved*,
THAT James Ewing and Samuel Tucker, Esqrs. be, and they hereby are appointed to inspect, cancel and put up into sealed Bundles, all the Bills of Credit emitted pursuant to the Resolutions of Congress of March 18th, 1780, that are now in the Treasury of this State; and that they also do monthly hereafter inspect, cancel, and put up in the same Manner, such Sum or Sums of the said Bills as may be in the Treasury, at the End of every Month, until the Sum of £. 46,875 0 0, including Principal and Interest, shall be inspected, cancelled, and put up as aforesaid; and the said Persons so appointed shall deliver the sealed Bundles, cancelled as aforesaid, to the Treasurer of the State, to be by him laid before the Legislature, to be inspected and destroyed, or such other Order taken thereon as to them shall appear necessary; and shall also lay an Account of the Numbers and Denominations of the Bills so cancelled, attested upon Oath, before the Legislature, at their next Sitting thereafter; and an Account of the other Bills, ordered to be sealed up as aforesaid, together with an Account of the Expences incurred by the said Services, for their Allowance and Settlement. And it is hereby further resolved, that the Treasurer of the State be directed not to issue any more of the Bills of Credit, emitted on the Faith of this State, until the aforesaid Sum shall be cancelled in Manner as is herein before mentioned and directed, or until the further Order of the Legislature.

‘*Ordered*, That Mr. Fenimore do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.’

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

Wednesday, December 25, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. Hornblower, from the Committee appointed on the 30th of October last, to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, to settle the Treasurer’s Accounts, reported, that the said Committee had met and stated the Accounts of the Treasurer, which he was ready to report when the House would be pleased to receive the same,

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. Hornblower exhibited the Accounts of the said Treasurer, settled by the said Committees, with four Certificates thereunder written, in the Words following :
WE, the Committee appointed to settle the Treasurer’s Accounts, having examined the same, and the several Vouchers relative thereto, viz. from No. 1 to 6, inclusive, and from No. 1 to 12, do, do find a Balance of *Nineteen Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty-seven Pounds Eight Shillings and Ten-pence Farthing*, Continental Money, remaining in the Hands of the said Treasurer, as per his Account, rendered to the 12th November 1782.

‘ JOSIAH HORNBLOWER,
 ‘ SAMUEL TUCKER,
 ‘ CALEB CAMP,
 ‘ ELLIS COOK.

‘ We, the Committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the Treasurer’s Accounts,

‘ Accounts, having examined the same, and the several Vouchers relative thereto, viz.
 ‘ from No. 1 to No. 108, inclusive, do find the same to be justly stated.

‘ JOSIAH HORNBLOWER,
 ‘ SAMUEL TUCKER,
 ‘ CALEB CAMP,
 ‘ ELLIS COOK.

‘ We, the Committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the Treasurer’s Ac-
 ‘ counts, having examined the same and the several Vouchers relative thereto, viz. from
 ‘ No. 1 to No. 181, inclusive, from No. 1 to No. 85, do. from No. 1 to No. 58, do.
 ‘ from No. 1 to No. 30, do. from No. 1 to No. 65, do. and from No. 1 to No. 357, do. do
 ‘ find a Balance of *Nineteen Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty-seven Pounds Seven Shil-
 ‘ lings and Ten-pence*, State Money, remaining in the Hands of the said Treasurer, as per
 ‘ his Account, rendered to the 12th November 1782.

‘ THOMAS SINNICKSON,
 ‘ CALEB CAMP,
 ‘ ELLIS COOK,
 ‘ JOSIAH HORNBLOWER,
 ‘ SAMUEL TUCKER,
 ‘ JOHN COVENHOVEN.

‘ We, the Committee of the Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the Treasurer’s
 ‘ Accounts, having examined the same and the several Vouchers relative thereto, viz.
 ‘ from No. 1 to No. 72, inclusive, from No. 1 to No. 255, do. from No. 1 to No. 14, do.
 ‘ from No. 1 to No. 27, do. from No. 1 to No. 30, do. and from No. 1 to No. 5, do. do
 ‘ find a Balance of *Five Hundred and Seventy Pounds Twelve Shillings and Eleven-pence
 ‘ Three-farthings*, Specie, remaining in the Hands of the said Treasurer, as per his Ac-
 ‘ count, rendered to the 12th November 1782.

‘ JOSIAH HORNBLOWER,
 ‘ SAMUEL TUCKER,
 ‘ JOHN COVENHOVEN,
 ‘ CALEB CAMP,
 ‘ THOMAS SINNICKSON.’

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to explain an Act,
 ‘ intituled, An Act for making Compensation to the Troops of this State, in the Service
 ‘ of the United States, for the Depreciation of their Pay,’ and made several Amend-
 ments thereto ;

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third Time, with the Amendments.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to explain an Act, intituled, An Act for making Compens-
 ‘ ation to the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States, for the De-
 ‘ preciation of their Pay,’ with the Amendments, was read a third Time ; on the *Questi-*
 on, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Clark do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of As-
 sembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. Clark reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Sinnickson, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Con-
 currence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of *One Hundred and Thirty Thousand
 ‘ Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Exigencies of the Year 1783, and for
 ‘ other Purposes therein mentioned ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, December 26, 1782.

The House met—Present as before.

A Memorial from *John Stevens, jun.* Esquire, in the Words following, was read :

To

To the Honourable the LEGISLATURE of *NEW-JERSEY* now Sitting.

The Memorial of *JOHN STEVENS*, junior, Treasurer,

Humbly sheweth,

THAT your Memorialist having been informed that the Report of the Committee on the Treasurer's Accounts hath not been agreed to by the Legislature, but referred over to the next Meeting for further Investigation, without any special Reasons assigned for postponing the final Settlement of the same; and being anxiously solicitous, as well on his own Account, as in Justice to his Security, to have said Accounts finally settled at this present Sitting of the Legislature; begs Leave earnestly to request, that such Parts of said Accounts, if any there be, that may appear not satisfactory, may be re-examined and adjusted, not in the least doubting but that your Memorialist will be able fully and satisfactorily to obviate every Objection that either hath or may be made to his Accounts being closed agreeably to the usual Mode.

Your Memorialist begs Leave further to observe, that as he conceives the postponing Matters to a future Sitting may be injurious to his Reputation as a publick Officer, and that it is much more in his Power at the present to rectify any Errors or Mistakes that may have been suggested as Reasons for not agreeing to the Report of the Committee, than his Representative may be able to do, should your Memorialist be removed by Death, or other Accident, between this and the next Sitting; and being now fully prepared and desirous to rectify, in the most full and satisfactory Manner, said Errors, if any, earnestly entreats the Honourable Legislature to grant this his just request, by ordering a further Investigation of such Parts of said Accounts as may appear necessary; and your Memorialist, as in Duty bound, will ever pray.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to raise the Sum of *One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Exigencies of the Year 1783, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Tucker*, in the Words following:

Ordered,

THAT Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Lambert* be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council, for the Purposes of conferring with Mr. *Collins*, Printer to the State, upon the Terms on which he will engage to print 600 Copies of the Compilation of the Laws done by *Peter Wilson*, Esquire; and that Mr. *Tucker* do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join a Committee of this House for that Purpose.

Ordered, That Mr. *Martin* be appointed to join the Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose mentioned in the above Message, and that Mr. *Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to defray sundry Incidental Charges,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly, of the 24th Instant, relative to appointing *James Ewing* and *Samuel Tucker*, Esquires, to inspect, cancel and put up, in sealed Bundles, a certain Sum of the Bills of Credit of the State, &c.

Resolved, That the House do concur in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Hand* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to raise the Sum of *One Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Exigencies of the Year 1783, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Hand,	Mr. Fell,	Mr. Cox,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Elmer.	Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Reading,
Mr. Gripps,		Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Carle.

Ordered, That Mr. Reading do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

Mr. Reading reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Blanch, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to explain an Act, intituled, An Act for making Compensation to the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States, for the Depreciation of their Pay,’ and acquainted this House that the same was passed by the House of Assembly, with the Amendments made thereto by this House; which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That the Vice-President do revise and examine the Transcript of the Journals of this House for this Sitting; and that, after such Revival and Examination, *Isaac Collins* be directed by the President or Vice-President to print them.

The Council took into Consideration the Report of the Committee on the Treasurer’s Accounts; whereupon,

Resolved, That the House do approve of the said Report.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Blanch, in the Words following:

Resolved,
THAT His Excellency the Governor be authorized and requested to furnish himself with an Express to carry such Despatches of a publick Nature as may be necessary, and to draw any Sum of Money from the Treasury not exceeding *Seventy Pounds* for that Purpose; and the Receipt of His Excellency shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much of the publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.
Ordered, That Mr. Blanch do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Resolution,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. Carle do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith. Mr. Carle reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Fenimore, in the Words following:
MR. Fenimore, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of Council to confer with *Isaac Collins*, Printer, respecting the Terms on which he will undertake to print the Laws as compiled by Mr. *Wilson*, reported as follows: That they, with the Committee from Council, have waited on Mr. *Collins*, and received his Proposals—which are, that he will print the said Laws on Paper equal in Quality to that in Mr. *Allinson’s* Edition of Laws, at *Two-pence Half-penny* per Sheet; whereupon,

Resolved, That *Isaac Collins* be directed to print 600 Copies of the said Compilation, on the Terms proposed; and that *James Ewing*, Esq. be, and he is hereby authorized and requested to inspect the Press, during the Printing of the same; and that he lay an Account of the Expences attending the said Service before the Legislature at their next Sitting, after the said Laws are printed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Outwater* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Elmer* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Elmer* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Honourable *Ephraim Harris*, Esq. Speaker of the House of Assembly, came into Council, and acquainted the President that the House of Assembly had adjourned to the 15th Day of May next, then to meet at *Burlington*;

Whereupon the Council adjourned to meet at the same Time and Place.

BY Virtue of an Order of the COUNCIL, I do appoint *Isaac Collins* to print these Journals.
WIL. LIVINGSTON, President.

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In GENERAL ASSEMBLY convened at BURLINGTON, on THURSDAY the
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BEING THE SECOND SITTING OF THE SEVENTH SESSION.

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STATE of NEW-JERSEY.

BURLINGTON, Thursday, May 15, 1783.

The following Members met pursuant to Adjournment, *to wit*,

Mr. ELMER,
Mr. CLARK,
Mr. HORNBLLOWER,
Mr. MARTIN.

THERE not being a sufficient Number of Members present to proceed to Business—
adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, May 16, 1783.

P R E S E N T,

Mr. ELMER,	Mr. HORNBLLOWER,	Mr. READING,
Mr. CLARK,	Mr. MARTIN,	Mr. CARLE.

There not yet being a sufficient Number of Members present to proceed to Business—
adjourned till To-morrow.

Saturday,

Saturday, May 17, 1783.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. ELMER, Mr. MARTIN, Mr. GARLE,
Mr. CLARK, Mr. READING, Mr. FELL.
Mr. HORNBLOWER,

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House have this Day made a Quorum and proceeded to Business.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Morning Ten o'Clock.

Monday, May 19, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Camp*, in the Words following :

Ordered,
' **T**H A T Mr. *Camp* do wait on the Council, and inform them that a Quorum of the
' A Assembly have met, and this Day proceeded to Business.'

Mr. *Fell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of *Saturday*.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Hugh Hughes, Esq. came into Council, and produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of Council for the County of *Sussex*, which was read ; and he took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law before the Honourable *John Cox*, Esq. Vice-President, and took his Seat in Council.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Tuesday, May 20, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Blanch*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Warrant entitling *John Walter*, a wounded Soldier, to draw Half-Pay from the Treasury.

The Council having taken the said Warrant into Consideration,
Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Hornblower* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Wednesday, May 21, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Elisha Lawrence, Esq. came into Council, and produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of Council for the County of *Monmouth*, which was read ; and he took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law before the Honourable *Hugh Hughes*, Esq. one of the Members of this House, and took his Seat in Council.

A Petition from the County of *Middlesex*, signed by the Judges and Officers of the County Court, setting forth their Surprise that no Tax-Bill was passed at the last Sitting, and praying that the Legislature will punctually adhere to the publick Faith and Credit of the State, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, May 22, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* and Mr. *Hughes* be a Committee to bring in a Bill for the Preservation of Timber.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* and Mr. *Fell* be a Committee to bring in a Bill to suspend the Operation of the Act of Limitation, respecting Personal Estates during the War.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, May 23, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Combs*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, Warrants entitling *Jessiah Terry*, *Hiram Howard*, *Aaron King* and *John Tichenor*, disabled Soldiers, to draw Half-Pay; and a Warrant entitling *Jemima Richards* to draw the Amount of her late Husband's Half-Pay.

The Council having taken the foregoing Warrants into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Clark* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Clark* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Martin* has Leave of Absence, he having received Information of Mrs. *Martin* being very Ill.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, May 24, 1783.

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. *Martin*.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock Monday Afternoon.

Monday, May 26, 1783.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. FELL,	Mr. CARLE,	Mr. READING,
Mr. HORNBLOWER,	Mr. HUGHES,	Mr. CLARK.
Mr. ELMER,		

Mr. *Henderson*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the two following Bills: A Bill, intituled, 'An Act to ratify and confirm an Agreement made between Commissioners appointed by the Legislature of the State of *Pennsylvania*,

vania, and Commissioners appointed by the Legislature of the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Purpose of settling the Jurisdiction of the River *Delaware* and Islands within the same;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Promotion and Encouragement of Literature;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, May 27, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to ratify and confirm an Agreement made between Commissioners appointed by the Legislature of the State of *Pennsylvania*, and Commissioners appointed by the Legislature of the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Purpose of settling the Jurisdiction of the River *Delaware* and Islands within the same,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Promotion and Encouragement of Literature,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to ratify and confirm an Agreement made between Commissioners appointed by the Legislature of the State of *Pennsylvania*, and Commissioners appointed by the Legislature of the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Purpose of settling the Jurisdiction of the River *Delaware* and Islands within the same,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Promotion and Encouragement of Literature,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Reading* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Wednesday, May 28, 1783.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Lawrence*.

Mr. *Hornblower*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to suspend the Operation of the Act of Limitation, &c. brought in a Bill according to Order, intituled, ‘An Act to suspend, for a limited Time, the Operation of an Act hereafter mentioned,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from sundry Persons Inhabitants of the County of *Monmouth* and *Burlington*, setting forth, that the Navigation of *Crosswicks* Creek is stopped by *Richard Waln*, to the great Injury of the Publick, and praying a Law to oblige the said *Waln* to make a Set of Ways to admit Rafts to pass, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

Mr. *Beatty* came into Council.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beatty* and Mr. *Lawrence* be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill to enable the Congress of the United States to levy Duties on certain Goods and Merchandize imported into this State.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday,

Thursday, May, 29, 1783.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. FELL,	Mr. HUGHES,	Mr. READING,
Mr. LAWRENCE,	Mr. CLARK,	Mr. HORNBLLOWER,
Mr. BEATTY,	Mr. CARLE,	Mr. ELMER.

Mr. *Lawrence*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for the Preservation of Timber, brought in a Bill according to Order, intitled, 'An Act more effectually to prevent the Waste of Timber in this State, and to repeal the former Acts for that Purpose,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to suspend, for a limited Time, the Operation of an Act hereafter mentioned,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Henderson*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following transcribed Copy of a Letter to the Paymaster-General of the Army, in Answer to his Queries :

" SIR,

THE Legislature of the State of *New-Jersey* being called on to furnish you with such Documents and Information as they may be possessed of relative to any Articles supplied, Pay advanced, or Settlement made with their Line of the Army, and in particular having the following Queries laid before them, herein state the Answers thereto.

1st *Query*. What Principles have been adopted by the States in the Settlement with their respective Lines?

Answer. The State of *New-Jersey* having never undertaken to discharge the established Pay of their Line, have at no Time adopted a Principle for Settlement therewith, excepting for making Compensation for the Depreciation of their Pay.

2d *Query*. Did the States consider the Army as paid by the Continent in old Money up to August 1st, 1780?

Answer. The State of *New-Jersey* did consider the Army as paid by the Continent in old Money up to August the 1st, 1780.

3d *Query*. If so, at what Rate of Depreciation did they charge their Line for the old Money from April 1st to August 1st, 1780?

Answer. The Table of Depreciation, agreeably to which Compensation was made to the Line of this State, for the Depreciation of their established Pay, herewith transmitted to you will fully shew.

4th *Query*. Have they made up any Depreciation for Subsistence Money?

Answer. The State of *New-Jersey* has not, as no Resolution of Congress ever required it.

5th *Query*. If any of the States have settled with their Lines to a later Time than August 1st, 1780, to what Period have they continued their Settlement?

Answer. The State of *New-Jersey* has not settled to a later Period than August 1st, 1780, nor till that Period excepting for Compensation as before mentioned.

6th *Query*. What Pay or Articles have been accounted for, supposed to have been received from the Continent on Account, after August 1780?

Answer. There is neither Pay nor any Articles that have been accounted for by the Line of this State advanced thereto on Account of the Continent since August 1780.

7th *Query*. Have the States any Accounts against their Lines which remained to be stopped? What are they? And to whom are they to be charged in the Settlement now making with the Army?

Answer. The State of *New-Jersey* has an Account against their Line which remains to be stopped against the Officers for certain Articles of Clothing furnished, and one Month's Pay advanced; against the Privates for one Month's Pay advanced; for more particular Information on the first of these two Articles the State would refer the Paymaster-General to the Accounts of the Clothier of this State, which the Legislature will direct to be forwarded

forwarded with all Dispatch ; and on the second to *Abraham Martin* and *John Peck*, Pay-masters of the Line of this State, who have drawn from the Treasury the Sum of *Three Thousand One Hundred and Twenty-seven Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six-pence*, who were directed to transmit Copies of their Pay-Rolls so discharged to the Paymaster-General of the Army, that the same might be credited to this State ; and to Lieutenant *William Pennington*, of the second Regiment of Artillery, who has drawn from the Treasury the Sum of *Four Hundred and Forty-one Dollars and Two-thirds*, being the Amount of the Pay Abstracts of the Officers and Privates belonging to the second Regiment of Artillery and Artillery Artificers, credited to this State as Part of their Quota for the Month of *August*, 1780, who was directed to transmit a Copy of the said Pay Abstracts so discharged to the Paymaster-General of the Army, that the same might be credited to this State."

The Council having taken the foregoing Letter into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ' An Act to suspend, for a limited Time, the Operation of ' an Act herein after mentioned,' was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Fenimore*, in the Words following :

' **A** Memorial from *Jonathan Stiles*, jun. Paymaster to the Militia of the County of *Morris*, accompanied with an Account stated by the Auditor, by which there appears to be a Balance due the said *Jonathan Stiles*, jun. from the State, of the Sum of £. 2516 19 1, was read ; whereupon,

' *Resolved*, That the said Account be allowed, and that the Treasurer be directed to discharge the same.

' *Ordered*, That Mr. *Fenimore* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.'

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, May 30, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Beatty*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to enable the Congress of the United States to levy Duties on certain Goods and Merchandize imported into this State, brought in a Bill according to Order, intituled, ' An Act to authorize the ' United States in Congress assembled, to levy a Duty on certain Goods and Merchandize imported into this State from any foreign Port, Island or Plantation, and for the ' Appropriation of the same ;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act more effectually to prevent the Waste of Timber in this ' State, and to repeal the former Acts for that Purpose,' was read a second Time, debated, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ' An Act more effectually ' to prevent the Waste of Timber in this State, and to repeal the former Acts for that ' Purpose ;' and, after some Time spent therein, the said Bill was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Ellis*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the two following Bills : A Bill, intituled, ' An Act to raise the Sum of *Ninety ' Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Exigencies of the Year 1783, and for other Purposes therein mentioned ;' a Bill, intituled, ' An Act to empower the Inhabitants of the Township of *Newtown*, in the County of *Gloucester*, to repair their publick Highways by Hire, and to raise Money for that Purpose ;'

‘ pose ;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, May 31, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

The engrossed Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act more effectually to prevent the Waste of Timber in this State, and to repeal the former Act for that Purpose,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beatty* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Beatty* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Afternoon Four o’Clock.

Monday, June 2, 1783.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. FELL,	Mr. CLARK,	Mr. HUGHES,
Mr. ELMER,	Mr. CARLE,	Mr. CRIPPS.
Mr. HORNELOWER,	Mr. READING,	

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

Tuesday, June 3, 1783.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. FELL,	Mr. CARLE,	Mr. CRIPPS,
Mr. ELMER,	Mr. READING,	Mr. BEATTY,
Mr. HORNELOWER,	Mr. HUGHES,	Mr. LAWRENCE.
Mr. CLARE,		

The two following Messages from the House of Assembly were received by Mr. *Sinnickson*:

‘ **W**HEREAS it is necessary that the Paymaster-General should be furnished with an Account of such Clothing as has been supplied to the Officers of the Line of this State ; and as the said Articles of Clothing cannot be charged to the said Officers at any other Rates or Prices than such as they might respectively have sold for in the Year 1774,

‘ *Resolved,* That *James Ewing*, Esquire, Auditor of Accounts of this State, and *James McComb*, Esquire, late Clothier of this State, be and they hereby are authorized, empowered and required, with all possible Dispatch, to value and appraise every Article of Clothing that has been furnished to the Officers of the Line of this State, and all other Officers that may have drawn Clothing from the Clothier of this State, and that has not heretofore been accounted for by said Officers at the Rates and Prices such Articles would respectively have sold at in the Year 1774 ; and that they transmit an Account of such Articles furnished to each individual Officer, together with the Prices annexed, in as particular a Manner as they may be capable, with all convenient Dispatch, to the Paymaster-General, to be by him charged against the several Officers in the Settlement of their Accounts.

‘ *Ordered,* That Mr. *Sinnickson* do carry the above Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.’

Resolved,

THAT the Treasurer be directed to pay to *James M^cComb*, Esquire, late Clothier of this State, or to his Order, the Sum of *One Thousand Four Hundred Pounds*, as soon as the State of the Treasury will admit thereof, for the Use of the late Clothing Department, for which Sum the said *James M^cComb* is to be accountable, whose Receipt shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much of the publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

Ordered, That *Mr. Sinnickson* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolutions into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That *Mr. Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Resolved, That *Isaac Collins*, Printer, be directed to strike off immediately 600 Copies of the Pamphlet, intitled, “Address and Recommendation to the States by the United States in Congress assembled,” to be distributed in the same Proportion as the Laws are directed to be distributed.

Ordered, That *Mr. Cripps* do carry the said Resolution to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution of the House of Assembly of the 29th of *May* last, accompanying the Account of *Jonathan Stiles*, jun. Paymaster to the Militia of the County of *Morris*; on the Question, Whether the House agree to the said Resolution? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
<i>Mr. Fell,</i>	<i>Mr. Cox,</i>	<i>Mr. Beatty,</i>	<i>Mr. Reading,</i>
<i>Mr. Hornblower,</i>	<i>Mr. Hughes.</i>	<i>Mr. Clark,</i>	<i>Mr. Carle,</i>
<i>Mr. Lawrence,</i>		<i>Mr. Cripps,</i>	<i>Mr. Elmer.</i>

Ordered, That *Mr. Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House do not concur in the said Resolution.

Mr. Cripps reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; after some Time the House returned and adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

Wednesday, June 4, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to raise the Sum of *Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*,’ &c. was read a second Time, debated, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 19th of *December* last, relative to directing the Treasurer to pay to *Samuel Hugg*, Esq. out of any publick Monies in his Hand unappropriated, the Sum of *Two Hundred and Four Pounds Seven Shillings and Eleven-pence*, being for Money advanced by the said *Samuel Hugg*, Esq. towards recruiting a Company of Artillery;

Resolved, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

Ordered, That *Mr. Carle* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Resolved, That the Attorney-General of the State, for the Time being, be hereby directed to recover, in such Way as he shall deem proper, the Sum of *Five Hundred Pounds*, with the Interest consequent thereon, due from *Dr. Samuel Bard* to this State, and that the Treasurer be also directed to deliver to him the Bond in his Possession, for the Purpose of putting them in Suit if necessary.

Ordered, That *Mr. Carle* do carry the said Resolution to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr.

Mr. Carle reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, June 5, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Whilden, in the Words following :

‘ THE Auditor of Accounts appeared in the House and reported the State of sundry Accounts, viz. the Account of *Jesse Vickers*, late Barrack-Master in *New-Brumswick*, by which there appears to be a Balance due the said *Vickers* of Six Pounds Two Shillings and Four-pence in Specie ;

‘ Resolved, That the said Account be allowed, and that the Treasurer do discharge the same.

‘ The Account of *Nathaniel Hunt*, Esq. Paymaster of the Militia of the County of *Hunterdon*, to May 1st, 1783, by which there appears to be a Balance due the said *Nathaniel Hunt* of £. 93 8 1.

‘ Resolved, That the Auditor do pass the said Balance to his Credit in his next Account.

‘ The Account of *Eli Elmer*, Paymaster to the Militia of the Counties of *Cumberland* and *Cape-May*, by which there appears to be a Balance due the State of £. 85 15 10 in Specie ; and,

‘ The Account of *John Tite*, Paymaster to the Militia of the County of *Gloucester*, by which there appears to be a Balance due the State of £. 6 5 4 in Specie.

‘ Resolved, That the said Accounts be allowed, and that the Auditor do charge them with the said Balances respectively in their next Accounts.

‘ Also the Account of *Nathaniel Hunt*, Esquire, Agent for the Recruiting Service in the County of *Hunterdon*, by which there appears to be a Balance due the State of £. 76 6 0 in Specie.

‘ And also the Account of *Isaac Woodruff*, Esquire, appointed to pay the Arrearages of Pay, Milage and Subsistence, to the nine Months Men by the Resolution of *December 11, 1778*, by which there appears to be a Balance due the State of the Sum of £. 424 17 2½ in Continental Money.

‘ Resolved, That the said Accounts be allowed, and that the Treasurer do collect the same.

‘ Ordered, That Mr. Whilden do carry the above Accounts and Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence.’

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of *Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*,’ &c. and after some Time spent therein, the said Bill was ordered a third Reading.

Mr. Camp, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the five following Bills : A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Aaron Chew* with *Elizabeth* his Wife ;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to confirm the Charter of the Reformed Protestant *Dutch Church* of *New-Shannick*, in *Hillsborough*, in the County of *Somerset* ;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for incorporating sundry Persons as Trustees of the *Presbyterian Congregation* at *Fairfield*, in the County of *Cumberland* ;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for remedying certain Defects in the Testament and Last Will of *Thomas Shreve*, late of the County of *Salem*, deceased, and to establish and confirm the said Testament and Last Will ;’ and, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for incorporating sundry Persons as Trustees of the *Second Presbyterian Church* in *Newark* ;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. Camp also brought to this House the two following Messages :

‘ THE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of this Day, relative to directing the Attorney-General of the State to recover a Sum of Money due to this State from Dr. *Samuel Bard*, &c.

‘ Resolved, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

‘ Ordered, That Mr. Camp do wait on the Council and acquaint them therewith.’

‘ THE House having taken into Consideration the Message from Council of the 3d
 ‘ Instant, relative to directing the Printer to strike off 600 Copies of the Pamphlet,
 ‘ intitled, “ Address and Recommendation to the States by the United States in Congress
 ‘ assembled ;”

‘ *Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Camp* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, June 6, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Lambert*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS Doubts have arisen in settling of the Sheriffs Accounts with Respect
 ‘ to the Allowance of *Five per Cent.* when and at what Period that Allowance
 ‘ should take Date ; to remedy which,

‘ *Resolved*, That the Auditor be directed to allow the said *Five per Cent.* in the Settle-
 ‘ ment of all and every of their Accounts of Fines and Forfeitures received by them and
 ‘ payable to the Use of the State from and after *August, 1776*, calculating and retaining
 ‘ the Commissions in the Species of Money in which said Fines were levied, provided that
 ‘ no Allowance be made to any Sheriff in any Account which shall have been rendered
 ‘ and closed.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Lambert* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concur-
 ‘ rence.’

Mr. *Lambert* also brought to this House for Concurrence a Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to
 ‘ authorize the Delegates representing this State, in the Congress of the United States,
 ‘ to subscribe and ratify an Alteration in the eighth of the Articles of Confederation ;’
 ‘ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to empower the Inhabitants of the Township of *Newton*,
 ‘ in the County of *Gloucester*, to repair their publick Highways by Hire, and to raise a
 ‘ Sum of Money for that Purpose,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Read-
 ing.

The Council having taken into Consideration the several Accounts and Resolutions
 brought from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Whilden*, for Allowance and Concurrence,
 the 5th Instant,

Resolved, That the House do allow the said Accounts, and concur in the Resolutions
 accompanying the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hughes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them there-
 with.

Mr. *Hughes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act for remedying certain Defects in the Testament and Last
 ‘ Will of *Thomas Shreve*, late of the County of *Salem*, deceased, and to establish and
 ‘ confirm the said Testament and Last Will,’ was read a second Time,—the Parties heard,
 and the further Consideration thereof postponed until *Friday* next Ten o’Clock, *A. M.*

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Bowen*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS in and by the Act, intitled, “ An Act to extend the Power of Collectors
 ‘ in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes,” passed *January 9, 1781*, the
 ‘ Treasurer of the State is directed to transmit the Certificates by him received for Taxes to
 ‘ the Heads or Principals of the respective Departments under which the said Certificates were
 ‘ taken out, so as to make them accountable ; and as it appears that the Treasurer has not
 ‘ been able fully to comply with the Directions above-said, so as to procure Justice to this State,

‘ *Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the State be directed to procure, with all convenient
 ‘ Dispatch, all such Certificates as aforesaid from the Hands of any Person or Persons
 ‘ with whom he may have lodged the same, and when procured, to be by him delivered
 ‘ to the Auditor of Accounts of this State, who is hereby required to lay the same be-
 ‘ fore such Commissioner as may be appointed on the Part of the United States to liqui-
 ‘ date

‘ date the publick Accounts of this State, and in Conjunction with the said Commissioner, to liquidate the said Certificates, and, after such Liquidation, to charge the Amount thereof to the United States.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Bowen* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.’

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, June 7, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Van-Campen*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to release *Abraham Hendricks* from the Payment of a Sum of Money taken by Robbers;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly of Yesterday, relative to directing the Auditor as to the Allowance of *Five per Cent.* in the Settlement of Sheriff’s Accounts of Fines and Forfeitures, &c.

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly of Yesterday, relative to directing the Treasurer to procure such Certificates as he was heretofore directed by Law to transmit to the Principals of the respective Departments under which the said Certificates were taken out, &c.

Resolved, That the House do concur in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Fell* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to authorize the United States in Congress assembled to levy a Duty on certain Goods and Merchandize imported into this State from any foreign Port, Island or Plantation, and for the Appropriation of the same,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Fell* has Leave of Absence until *Tuesday* next, on urgent Business.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Afternoon Four o’Clock.

Monday, June 9, 1783.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. CRIPPS,	Mr. CLARK,	Mr. ELMER,
Mr. CARLE,	Mr. HORNBLOWER,	Mr. HUGHES.
Mr. READING,	Mr. HAND,	

Mr. *Outwater*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the four following Bills: A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of Debtors whose Creditors or Obligations have remained within the Enemy’s Lines during the War, or so concealed that Payment could not be made;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable the Owners and Possessors of the Meadows on the Head of *Reynolds* Creek, to clear out the same;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of such Persons as have lost, or may hereafter lose, Notes or Certificates given under the Authority of the State;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable *Jacob Fries*, surviving Executor of the Last Will and Testament of *John Jarman*, deceased, to fulfil the Purposes of the said Will;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *W. Druff*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to release *John Allen* from the Payment of a Sum of publick Money taken by Robbers;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to empower the Inhabitants of the Township of *Newton*, in

‘ in the County of *Gloucester*, to repair their publick Highways by Hire, and to raise Money for that Purpose,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise the Sum of *Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Exigencies of the Year 1783, and ‘ for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

Mr. *Hornblower* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, June 10, 1783.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Beatty* and Mr. *Lawrence*.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to authorize the United States in Congress assembled to levy a Duty on certain Goods and Merchandize imported into this State ‘ from any foreign Port, Island or Plantation, and for the Appropriation of the same,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beatty* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Beatty* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to authorize the Delegates representing this State, in the ‘ Congress of the United States, to subscribe and ratify an Alteration in the eighth of the ‘ Articles of Confederation,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to release *Abraham Hendricks* from the Payment of a Sum ‘ of publick Money taken by Robbers,’ was read, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for incorporating fundry Persons as Trustees of the Second ‘ *Presbyterian Church in Newark*,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for incorporating fundry Persons as Trustees of the *Presby- ‘ terian Congregation at Fairfield*, in the County of *Cumberland*,’ was read a second Time and debated.

On Motion of Mr. *Hand*, that the following Amendment be made in the two foregoing Bills, *to wit*, “ That the Corporation should not be enabled to hold an Estate of more than £. 3000 Value;” on the Question, Whether the House agree to the said Amendment? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Nays.	Nays.	Nays.	Yeas.
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,
Mr. <i>Beatty</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hughes</i> .	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,		Mr. <i>Carle</i> .

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third Time.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Aaron Chew* with *Elizabeth* his ‘ Wife,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to confirm the Charter of the Reformed Protestant *Dutch ‘ Church of New-Shannick*, in *Hillsborough*, in the County of *Somerset*,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act subjecting Proprietary Rights in the State of *New-Jersey* to ‘ the

‘ the Payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriffs in their Proceedings thereon,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hendrickson*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ **T**HAT *Isaac Collins*, Printer, be directed to strike off, with all convenient Dispatch, 600 Copies of the Act, intituled, “ An Act to raise the Sum of *Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Pounds*, in the State of *New-Jersey*, for the Exigencies of the Year 1783, and for other Purposes therein mentioned ;” and that he print the same with such a Type and on such Sheets as the Laws are usually printed, and transmit the said Laws to the Legislature, if sitting, as soon as printed. And it is further resolved, that the said *Isaac Collins* be directed not to re-print the above-said Act when he prints the Laws of the present Sitting.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Hendrickson* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Wednesday, June 11, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Burn*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for altering the Place of holding the Inferior Court of Common-Pleas, and Court of General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of *Bergen* ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act subjecting Proprietary Rights in the State of *New-Jersey* to the Payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriffs in their Proceedings thereon,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Clark* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Clark* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Shreve*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to establish a Publick Landing Place on the River *Delaware*, in the Township of *Chester*, and County of *Burlington*,’ which was read.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second Time on *Saturday* next, at ten o’Clock in the Morning ; and that *Anna Stokes* then be heard before the House, if she shall think proper to attend ; also that a Copy of this Order be served on the said *Anna Stokes*.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of such Persons as have lost, or may hereafter lose, Notes or Certificates given under the Authority of the State,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable *Jacob Fricse*, surviving Executor of the Last Will and Testament of *John Farman*, deceased, to fulfil the Purposes of the said Will,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Governor withdrew.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of such Persons as have lost, or may hereafter lose, Notes or Certificates given under the Authority of the State,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yeas.

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Fell,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Reading,
Mr. Hughes.	Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Cripps,	Mr. Carle,
	Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Hand,	Mr. Elmer.

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to enable *Jacob Fricke*, surviving Executor of the Last Will and Testament of *John Jarman*, deceased, to fulfil the Purposes of the said Will,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to confirm the Charter of the Reformed Protestant *Dutch* Church of *New-Shannick*, in *Hillsborough*, in the County of *Somerset*,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Fell,	Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Carle,	Mr. Cripps,
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Elmer,	Mr. Hand.
Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Hughes.	

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Aaron Chew*, with *Elizabeth* his Wife,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Fell,	Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Hand,
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Elmer,	Mr. Carle.
Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Cripps,	Mr. Hughes.	

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for incorporating sundry Persons as Trustees of the *Presbyterian* Congregation at *Fairfield*, in the County of *Cumberland*,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Fell,	Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Carle,	Mr. Cripps,
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Elmer,	Mr. Hand.
Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Hughes.	

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for incorporating sundry Persons as Trustees of the Second *Presbyterian* Church in *Newark*,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Fell,	Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Carle,	Mr. Cripps,
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Elmer,	Mr. Hand.
Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Hughes.	

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to release *Abraham Hendricks* from the Payment of a Sum of publick Money taken by Robbers,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Bell.
Mr. Platt,	Mr. Coffey,	Mr. Linn,	Mr. Carl.
Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Lamb,	Mr. Hughes.	

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Coffey do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to authorize the Delegates representing this State, in the Congress of the United States, to subscribe and ratify an Alteration in the eighth of the Articles of Confederation,’ was read a third time on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Negative, *yeas* 6 *nays* 5.

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Carl.
Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Beatty,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Linn.
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Coffey,		
Mr. Hughes.			

Ordered, That Mr. Coffey do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

A Message from the Council, Addressed by Mr. Graham, in the Words following

Resolved,

‘THAT the Treasurer of the State be directed to pay unto Captain *Richard Strong*, of the County of *Bucks*, the Sum of *Twenty-five Pounds*, in consequence of His Excellency’s Proclamation, being for the Use of himself and the Party of Men that assisted him in securing *Isabel Johnson*; and to *John Bacon*, Corner of House of the said County, the Sum of *Fifty Pounds*, in consequence of said Proclamation, being for the Use of himself and the Party of Men that assisted in securing *John Bacon*, and the Receipt of the said *Isabel Johnson*, and *John Bacon* shall be sufficient Vouchers to the Treasurer for so much Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. Smith do carry the above Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

Mr. Smith also presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Warrant entitling Captain *Samuel Kirkland* to draw from the Treasurer of this State *Ten Dollars* a Month during his Disability.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Hagg, in the Words following

Ordered,

‘THAT Mr. Hagg do carry to Council the Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to authorize the United States in Congress assembled to lay a Duty on certain Goods and Merchandise imported into this State from any Foreign Port, Island or Plantation, and for the Appropriation of the same,’ and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.’

Mr. Hagg also brought to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to relieve *Thomas Fishbone* from the Payment of a Sum of publick Money taken by Soldiers,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

Friday, June 12, 1783.

The House met—Present as before, and His Excellency the Governor.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly, relative to directing the Treasurer to Pay to Captain *Strong* and Corner *Bacon* the Money offered by Government for securing *Isabel Johnson* and *John Bacon*, &c.

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. Hunt do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith. Mr. Coffey reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of Yesterday.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Warrant entitling Captain *Samuel Kirkland* to draw from the Treasurer *Ten Dollars* a Month,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Martin*, in the Words following :

Resolved,

THAT the Treasurer of the State be directed to pay to the Paymaster of the Militia of the County of *Sussex*, the Sum of *Two Hundred and Seventeen Pounds*, for the Use of Captain *Joseph Harker*, for Rations furnished his Troops while stationed at the *Minisinks*, in the County of *Sussex*; and the Receipt of the said Paymaster shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much of the publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Martin* do carry the said Resolution to Council for Concurrence.

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Resolution,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Report of Mr. *Caldwell* from the Committee appointed on the 13th of *December*, 1780, for the Purpose of settling the Accounts of Mr. *Tucker*, late Treasurer of the Provincial Congress; and having deliberated on the Evidence produced by Mr. *Tucker* in support of the last Charge in his Accounts, as stated in the Journals of Assembly of the 17th of *February*, 1777; on the Question, Whether the House agree to the said last Charge, as stated in said Mr. *Tucker's* Accounts? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hughes</i> .
Mr. <i>Hand</i> .	Mr. <i>Beatty</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,	

On the Question, Whether the House agree to the following Resolutions, *to wit*,

Resolved, That the Attorney-General of this State be directed to recover the said Balance of *Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighteen Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Three-pence*, or such Part thereof as may appear to be due from the said Mr. *Tucker*, and to pay the same into the Hands of the Treasurer of this State for the Time being? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hughes</i> .	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,
Mr. <i>Beatty</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,		Mr. <i>Hand</i> .

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do carry the said Resolution to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Sharp*, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to prevent the Waste of Timber in this State, and to repeal the former Act for that Purpose,' with sundry Amendments made thereto by the House of Assembly, to which Amendments they requested the Concurrence of this House.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the Relief of Debtors whose Creditors or Obligations have remained within the Enemy's Lines during the War, or so concealed that Payment could not be made,' was read a second Time, debated; and, after some Time spent therein, committed to Mr. *Hornblower* and Mr. *Lawrence*.

The House took into Consideration the Amendments made by the House of Assembly to the Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to prevent the Waste of Timber in this State, and to repeal the former Acts for that Purpose;'

Resolved, That the House agree to the said Amendments.

Ordered, That the said Bill be re-engrossed with the said Amendments.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for altering the Place of holding the Inferior Court of Common-Pleas, and Court of General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of *Bergen*,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

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The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to release *John Allen* from the Payment of a Sum of publick Money taken by Robbers,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to release *Thomas Fenimore* from the Payment of a Sum of publick Money taken by Robbers,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. *Hand* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, June 13, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

The re-engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to prevent the Waste of Timber in this State, and to repeal the former Acts for that Purpose,' was read and compared;

Resolved, That the same do pass.

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do carry the said re-engrossed Bill to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House with their Amendments.

Mr. *Reading* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Cook*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the two following Bills: A Bill, intituled, 'An Act to enable *Ephraim Martin*, Esquire, to recover certain Monies from sundry Proprietors and Possessors of certain Lands and Meadows lying upon the *Walkill*, in the County of *Suffex*, commonly called the *Drowned Lands*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;' a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to amend, revive and continue an Act, intituled, An Act for Relief of Insolvent Debtors;' which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Cook*, in the Words following:

THE Account of *John Pope*, for Arms, &c. furnished the *Jersey* Brigade in 1775 and 1776, as stated by the Auditor, being read, by which there appears to be a Balance due the said *John Pope* from the State of the Sum of £. 128 16 5 Specie;

Resolved, That the said Account be allowed, and that the Treasurer be directed to discharge the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cook* do carry the said Resolution and Accounts to the Council for Concurrence.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, 'An Act for remedying certain Defects in the Testament and Last Will of *Thomas Shreve*, late of the County of *Salem*, deceased, and to establish and confirm the said Testament and Last Will'—the Parties were further heard; and, after some Time spent therein, the said Bill was ordered a third Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly, relative to the allowing of the Accounts of *John Pope*, and directing the Treasurer to discharge the same;

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carle* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; after some Time the House returned and adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

Saturday, June 14, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Carle* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of Yesterday.

Mr. *Hornblower*, from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the Relief of Debtors whose Creditors or Obligations have remained within the Enemy's Lines during the War, or so concealed that Payment could not be made,' reported

ported that he was ready to report sundry Amendments when the House would be pleased to receive the same;

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately.

Whereupon,

Mr. *Humboldt* read the said Amendments in his Place, and delivered them in at the Table.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third Time with the Amendments.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Townsend*, in the Words following :

Refused.

THAT the Treasurer of the State be directed to receive, from *James and Ralph Post*, on account of the Estate of their Father *Francis Post*, deceased, and on account of the Loan-Office of the County of *Essex*, the Sum of £. 116 5 in Continental Currency, and that the Commissioners of the Loan-Office of the County of *Essex* be directed, upon the said *James and Ralph Post*, or either of them, producing to him a Receipt from the Treasurer of the State for the said Sum, to pass the same to the Credit of the Estate of the said *Francis Post* on the Loan-Office Books, as if the said Money had been paid on the 1st Day of *March*, 1780.

Ordered, That Mr. *Townsend* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act for remedying certain Defects in the Testament and Last Will of *Thomas Stokes*, one of the County of *Salem*, deceased, and to establish and confirm the said Testament and Last Will' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Nays.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Fell</i> .	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> .	Mr. <i>Reading</i> .	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> .
Mr. <i>Humboldt</i> .	Mr. <i>Carr</i> .	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	Mr. <i>Hand</i> .
Mr. <i>Beatty</i> .	Mr. <i>Clark</i> .	Mr. <i>Hughes</i> .	Mr. <i>Carle</i> .

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hughes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Hughes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intitled, 'An Act to establish a Publick Landing on the River *Delaware*, in the Township of *Chester*, and County of *Lancaster*,' was read a second Time, *Anna Stokes* heard; and, after some Time spent therein,

Ordered, That the Petitioners in Favour of the said Bill be heard before the House on *Tuesday* next at ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, and that a Copy of this Order be served on some one of them.

Mr. *Dunham*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following Representation and Remonstrance to the United States in Congress assembled:

"To the UNITED STATES in CONGRESS assembled.

The REPRESENTATION and REMONSTRANCE of the LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL, and GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the State of New-Jersey,

Sheweth,

THAT the Legislature of this State is informed that the important Subject of the Western, or what is commonly called the Crown Lands, is soon to be reconsidered, and finally determined by Congress, especially as far as relates to the Cession made by the Legislature of the State of *Virginia* in *January*, 1781, of a Part of the western Country or vacant Territory; The Legislature cannot but express their Surprise on hearing that the Consideration of the Subject is resumed by Congress so speedily after its last Discussion, as appears by an Act of Congress of the 18th of *April* last past, which is contained in the following Words:

"That as a further Mean as well of hastening the Extinguishment of the Debts as of establishing the Harmony of the United States, it be recommended to the States which have passed no Acts towards complying with the Resolutions of Congress of the 6th of *September* and 16th of *October*, 1780, relative to the Cession of the territorial Claims, to make the liberal Cessions therein recommended; and to the States which may have passed Acts complying with the said Resolutions in Part only, to revise and complete such Compliance;"

which

which said Act has been officially laid before us during the present Sitting, and appears designed by Congress to be transmitted to every State in the Union, not only to the Legislatures thereof, but to the People at large: The Legislature of this State must be of Opinion, that the latter Part of the said Recommendation of Congress was expressly applicable to the Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of *Virginia*, as the Cession thereby made has heretofore been deemed by Congress a partial one, and by this State partial, unjust and illiberal.

The Legislature, to avoid unnecessary Repetition, beg Leave, in the most earnest Manner, to call the Attention of Congress to the Records in their Possession, of the Proceedings of the Legislature of this State with Regard to the present Subject, beginning with their Representation of the 16th of *June*, 1778, and at different Periods since, in which are fully contained the just and uncontrovertible Claims of this State to its full Proportion of all vacant Territory.

It is particularly disagreeable to have Occasion to trouble Congress with so many Applications on this Head; but the Importance of the Subject, the Danger of so much Property being unjustly wrested from us, together with its being our indispensable Duty, in Justification and Defence of the Rights of the People we represent, must be our Apology. We cannot be silent, while viewing one State aggrandizing herself by the unjust Detention of that Property which has been procured by the common Blood and Treasure of the Whole, and which, on every Principle of Reason and Justice, is vested in Congress for the Use and general Benefit of the Union they represent.

They doubt not the Disposition of Congress to redress every Grievance that may be laid before them; and are of Opinion, that there can be no greater Cause for Complaint, nor more just Reasons for Redress, than in the present Case.

They do therefore express their Dissatisfaction with the Cession of western Territory made by the State of *Virginia* in *January*, 1781, as being far short of affording that Justice which is equally due to the United States at large, and request that Congress will not accept of the said Cession, but that they will press upon the said State to make a more liberal Surrender of that Territory of which they Claim so boundless a Proportion.

The Legislature place the utmost Confidence in the Wisdom and Justice of Congress, and assure themselves, that as far as it lies in the Power of that august Body, the Rights of every State in the Union will be strictly maintained."

The Council having taken into Consideration the said Representation and Remonstrance,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Fell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Beatty* has Leave of Absence for the Remainder of the Sitting.

Mr. *Cooper*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intitled, 'An Act to authorize *Abraham Brown* and *Aspher Brown*, of the County of *Burlington*, and their Heirs and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Milldam and other Waterworks across the North Branch of *Ancocas* Creek, in the Townships of *Northampton* and *New-Hanover*, in the County aforesaid, at or near a Place called the *Fork-Bridge*;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock *Monday* Morning.

Monday, June 16, 1783.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. FELL,	Mr. HUGHES,	Mr. CRIPPS,
Mr. ELMER,	Mr. LAWRENCE,	Mr. HORNBLLOWER,
Mr. HAND,	Mr. CLARK,	Mr. READING.

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The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to enable *Ephraim Martin*, Esquire, to recover certain Monies from sundry Proprietors and Possessors of certain Lands and Meadows lying upon the *Walkill*, in the County of *Suffex*, commonly called and known by the Name of the *Drowned Lands*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Longstreet*, in the Words following :
 ‘THE House having taken into Consideration the Resolution contained in the Message from the Council by Mr. *Hand* of the 12th Instant, relative to directing the Attorney-General to prosecute *Samuel Tucker*, Esquire, late Treasurer of the Provincial Congress,

‘Resolved, That the House do not concur in the said Resolution.

‘Ordered, That Mr. *Longstreet* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

Mr. *Longstreet* also presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to vest the Profits of the Ferry from *Burlington* to *Bristol*, in the Inhabitants of the Town of *Burlington*, and to prevent Horses from running at Large on the Commons of the said Town;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Resolution from the House of Assembly, relative to directing the Treasurer to receive from *James* and *Ralph Post* £. 116 5 0 in Continental Currency,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for altering the Place of holding the Inferior Court of Common-Pleas, and Court of General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of *Bergen*,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Hornblower* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Boyd*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to authorize the Delegates representing this State, in the Congress of the United States, to ratify an Alteration in one of the Articles of the Confederation;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Henderson*, in the Words following :
 ‘WHEREAS by an Act passed the 22d of *June*, 1782, for raising the Sum of *Ninety Thousand Pounds* in the State of *New-Jersey*, the Sum of *Nine Thousand* was appropriated as a Fund for the Payment of the Interest which is or may become due on the Certificates given by any of the late County Contractors of this State, or on Surplus Certificates given by the Collectors of the several Townships, Precincts or Wards therein, and for the Payment of Interest due on Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State, agreeably to the Resolutions of Congress of the 13th Day of *March*, 1780; and as there has been no particular Directions given for the Payment of the Sum, therefore,

‘Resolved, That the Treasurer of the State, for the Time being, be directed to pay, out of the before recited Sum of *Nine Thousand Pounds*, one Year’s Interest on all such County Contractors’ Certificates and Surplus Certificates given by the Collectors of the several Townships, Precincts or Wards within this State, and on such of the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State as have not had the Stamp of Interest paid on them, which may be tendered to him for Payment, endorsing on the Back of each Certificate the Sum so paid, and stamping the Bills of Credit agreeably to Law; and also taking a Receipt from the Holder for all such Monies as he may so pay out; and that the Treasurer do further enter each and every Certificate, regularly numbered, in a Book by him to be kept for that Purpose, and also an Account of all Monies by him so paid out.

‘Ordered,

‘ Ordered, That Mr. *Henderfon* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Resolution,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to release *Thomas Fenimore* from the Payment of a Sum of publick Money taken by Robbers,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable *Ephraim Martin*, Esquire, to recover certain Monies from sundry Proprietors and Possessors of certain Lands and Meadows lying upon the *Walkill*, in the County of *Suffex*, commonly called and known by the Name of the *Drowned Lands*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. *Erving*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to reimburse the late Colonel *Jacob Hyer* for Monies advanced to Substitutes,’ and requested their Concurrence therein; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to vest the Profits of the Ferry from *Burlington* to *Bristol*, in the Inhabitants of the Town of *Burlington*, and to prevent Horses running at Large on the Commons of the said Town,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. *Clark*, from the Committee appointed to examine and settle such publick Accounts as might be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature, acquainted the House that he was ready to report when the House would be pleased to receive the same;

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately.

Whereupon,

Mr. *Clark* reported that there is due to the several Persons undernamed, the Sums annexed to their respective Names, *that is to say*,

To <i>Benjamin Van-Cleve</i> , for a Gun and Accoutrements lost by his Son when taken Prisoner,	£. 2 10 0
To <i>Richard Tice</i> , for a Gun and Accoutrements lost in the Service,	2 10 0
To <i>John Enmens</i> , Do.	2 10 0
To <i>Adam Boyce</i> , Do.	2 5 0
To <i>William Loo</i> , for conducting five Prisoners from <i>Cumberland</i> to the Commissary of Prisoners in <i>Philadelphia</i> ,	15 4 10
To Doctor <i>John I. Hampton</i> , for Medicines and Attendance on a sick Soldier in Captain <i>Nicholas Keen</i> 's Company, in the Service of this State,	2 18 0
To Doctor <i>Jacob Exeret</i> , for Medicines and Attendance on Capt. <i>Ribble</i> 's, Major <i>Westbrook</i> 's and Capt. <i>Harker</i> 's Companies of Militia, stationed in <i>Suffex</i> County in 1779,	51 2 0
To Doctor <i>Moses Scott</i> , for Medicines and Attendance upon <i>Peter Nephies</i> , <i>John Rider</i> , <i>Brant Hartwick</i> , <i>Ephraim Sheldon</i> , and <i>Jacob Nephies</i> , Militia Men wounded in the Service, in full of his Accounts,	38 16 3
To Captain <i>Jonathan Lippincott</i> , for a Gun lost in the Service,	2 0 0
To <i>Johannes Westervelt</i> , Do.	2 0 0
To <i>John Banta</i> , Do.	2 10 0
To <i>Benjamin Westervelt</i> , Do.	3 0 0
To <i>Cornelius Westervelt</i> , for a Gun lost in the Service,	2 0 0
To <i>Jeremiah Van-Deventer</i> , Do.	2 10 0

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To <i>Elias Brevoort</i> , Do.	-	-	-	-	2	5	0
To <i>Jacob Brower</i> , for a Gun and Accoutrements lost in the Service,	-	-	-	-	2	10	0
To Captain <i>John Outwater</i> , Do.	-	-	-	-	3	0	0
To <i>Nathan Dashi</i> , Gaoler of the County of <i>Cumberland</i> , for the Subsistence of sundry Refugee Prisoners in the Gaol of said County,	-	-	-	-	3	1	6
To <i>Henry Vanderhoof</i> , for 1 Horse, Bridle and Saddle lost in the Service of this State,	-	-	-	-	27	8	0
To <i>John Van-Buffers</i> , for a Gun lost in the Service,	-	-	-	-	2	10	0
To <i>Maskeil Ewing</i> , jun. Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Doctor <i>Thomas Ewing</i> , deceased, for Medicines and Attendance on two sick Soldiers of Captain <i>Charles Allen's</i> Company of State Troops,	-	-	-	-	5	6	0
To Doctor <i>Englebert Kemmena</i> , in full of his Account for Medicines and Attendance on sick and wounded Soldiers,	-	-	-	-	75	0	0
To <i>Elisha Cook</i> , for a Gun lost in the Service,	-	-	-	-	2	0	0
To <i>John Douglass</i> , Do.	-	-	-	-	1	15	0
To Doctor <i>Isaac Morse</i> , in full for Medicines and Attendance on the Year's Men in the Service of the State,	-	-	-	-	18	8	0
To Doctor <i>William Eurnet</i> , for Ditto,	-	-	-	-	15	16	0
To <i>Abraham Winner</i> , for nursing and boarding Captain <i>Cooper</i> and two of his Men, wounded in the Service of this State,	-	-	-	-	7	10	0
To <i>Lambert Johnson</i> , for two Guns and Accoutrements lost in the Service,	-	-	-	-	7	0	0
To Lieutenant <i>Thomas Little</i> , for a Gun and Accoutrements lost in the Service,	-	-	-	-	3	10	0
To <i>Tobias Polhemus</i> , Do.	-	-	-	-	3	10	0
To <i>John Maifon</i> , Do.	-	-	-	-	2	10	0
To <i>John Devoe</i> , Do.	-	-	-	-	1	15	0
To Captain <i>Barnes Smock</i> , for 1 Rifle Gun and 1 Fuzee, two Pistols and two Cartouch-Boxes in the Service,	-	-	-	-	10	4	0
To <i>Joseph Mullen</i> , Sheriff of <i>Burlington</i> , for the Subsistence of State Prisoners,	-	-	-	-	44	2	0
To <i>John Curtis</i> , for conducting 15 Recruits to the <i>Jersey</i> Brigade,	-	-	-	-	18	0	0
To Doctor <i>Samuel Bradburst</i> , for one Visit and dressing Captain <i>John Outwater</i> and one of his Men, and for Medicines and dressing <i>Henry Crum</i> , of Captain <i>Peter Ward's</i> Company,	-	-	-	-	6	10	0
To Doctor <i>Garret Van-Wagener</i> , for Medicines and Attendance on a wounded Soldier,	-	-	-	-	22	8	6
To <i>William Cook</i> , for nursing and boarding his Son while wounded, and for Pistols and Bridles lost in the Service,	-	-	-	-	10	10	0

By Order of the Committee,

ELIJAH CLARK,
JOSHUA EWING.

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Tucker*, with a Copy of the foregoing Report, in the Words following :

‘ THE House having Considered the said Report,
‘ **Resolved**, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Persons therein named, the Sums annexed to their respective Names.
‘ **Ordered**, That Mr. *Tucker* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.’

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, June 17, 1783.

The House met—Present as before, and the Vice-President.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hankinson*, in the Words following :

‘ **Ordered**,
‘ **THAT** Mr. *Hankinson* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the Bill, intitled, “ An Act subjecting Proprietary Rights in the State of *New-Jersey* to the Payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriffs in their Proceedings thereon,” is rejected by this House.’

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The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to establish a Public Landing on the River *Delaware*, in the Township of *Chester*, and County of *Burlington*'—the Petitioners being present; and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to vest the Profits of the Ferry from *Burlington* to *Brigfl*, in the Inhabitants of the Town of *Burlington*, and to prevent Horses running at Large on the Commons of the said Town' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Clark* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Clark* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to authorize the Delegates representing this State, in the Congress of the United States, to ratify an Alteration in one of the Articles of the Confederation,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Blanch*, in the Words following:

THE Papers accompanying His Excellency's Message of the 12th Instant, marked No. 1, 2, 3 and 4, were read a second Time: whereupon,

Ordered, That Mr. *Henderfen*, Mr. *Sinnicksen*, Mr. *Fenimore*, Mr. *Tucker* and Mr. *Ewing*, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council, in order to take the Subject Matter contained in said Papers into Consideration, and report to the House what Offers may appear to be in the Power of the State to make Congress in case it should be agreeable to them to make Choice of *New-jersey* for their Place of permanent Residence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Blanch* do wait on the Council with the above Order, and request them to appoint a Committee of their House for the said Purpose.

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* and Mr. *Lawrence* be a Committee to join the Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose mentioned in the said Message; that the said Committees meet in the Secretary's Office at six o'Clock To-morrow Morning, and that Mr. *Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the Relief of Debtors whose Creditors or Obligations have remained within the Enemy's Lines during the War, or so concealed that Payment could not be made,' was read a third Time with the Amendments; on the Question, Whether the said Bill, as amended, do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hughes</i> .
Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	

Ordered, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cripps* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to authorize the Delegates representing this State, in the Congress of the United States, to ratify an Alteration in one of the Articles of the Confederation,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cox</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hughes</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,			Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Hand* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to authorize *Abraham Brexon* and *Aspher Brexon*, of the County of *Burlington*, and their Heirs and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Milldam and other

‘ other Waterworks across the North Branch of *Ancocas Creek*,’ &c. was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to reimburse the late Colonel *Jacob Hyer* for Monies advanced to Substitutes,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to amend, revive and continue an Act, intitled, An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. *Cripps* has Leave of Absence for the Remainder of the Sitting.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Wednesday, June 18, 1783.

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. *Cripps*, and Mr. *Elmer*.

Mr. *Camp*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the two following Bills : A Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to authorize the Justices and Freeholders of the County of *Middlesex* to repair the Barracks at *New-Brunswick*, to be made Use of as a Courthouse and Gaol for said County ;’ a Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act for defraying fundry Incidental Charges ;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to authorize *Abraham Brozen* and *Asber Brown*, of the County of *Burlington*, and their Heirs and Assigns, to erect and maintain a Milldam and other Waterworks across the North Branch of *Ancocas Creek*,’ &c. was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

His Excellency the Governor withdrew from Council.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to amend, revive and continue an Act, intitled, An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,
Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> ,	Vice-President.	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,
Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,			Mr. <i>Hughes</i> .

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to reimburse the late Colonel *Jacob Hyer* for Monies advanced to Substitutes,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Hornblower</i> ,	Mr. <i>Reading</i> ,	Mr. <i>Fell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Carle</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hughes</i> .	Mr. <i>Clark</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .
		Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Report on the publick Accounts, and also the Resolution from the House of Assembly accompanying a Transcript of the said Report,

Resolved, That the House do approve of the said Report and concur in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That Mr. *Reading* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

A Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to authorize the Justices and Freeholders of the County of *Middlesex*, to repair the Barracks at *New-Brunswick*, to be made Use of as a Courthouse
‘ and

‘ and Gaol for said County,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying fundry Incidental Charges,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. *Elmer* has Leave of Absence for the Remainder of the Sitting.

The House adjourned to Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Boyd*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the two following Bills: A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Settlement of the publick Accounts of the United States of *America* ;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An additional Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for the regulating the Election of the Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners, of the State of *New-Jersey*, and also directing the Election of Delegates to represent the said State in the Congress of the United States ;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Cox*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act subjecting the Proprietary Rights and Shares of Propriety, late belonging to *Elias Bland*, deceased, to the Payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriff in his Proceedings therein ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to authorize the Justices and Freeholders of the County of *Middlesex*, to repair the Barracks at *New-Brunswick*, to be made Use of as a Courthouse and Gaol for said County,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That Mr. *Carle* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying fundry Incidental Charges,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carle* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Carle* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. *Bo wen*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for Concurrence, the four following Bills: A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to revive and continue an Act, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of certain Persons who have purchased Property for the Use of the Publick ;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend and continue an Act, intituled, An Act to provide a more effectual Remedy against excessive Costs in the Recovery of Debts above *Ten Pounds*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned ;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to revive and continue an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to punish the Counterfeiters of foreign Gold or Silver Coin current within the Colony of *New-Jersey*, and the Utterers thereof knowing the same to be counterfeited ;’ also an Act, intituled, ‘ An Act to prevent the Exportation of unmerchable Flour to foreign Markets ;’ and also an Act, intituled, ‘ An Act to regulate the Packing of Beef and Pork, and to ascertain the Size of Casks ;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal four several Acts therein mentioned ;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act subjecting the Proprietary Rights and Shares of Propriety, late belonging to *Elias Bland*, deceased, to the Payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriff in his Proceedings therein,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The said Bill was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hughes* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Hughes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to revive and continue an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to punish the Counterfeiters of foreign Gold or Silver Coin current within the Colony of *New-Jersey*, and the Utterers thereof knowing the same to be counterfeited ;’ also an Act, intituled, ‘ An Act to prevent the Exportation of unmerchable Flour to foreign Markets ;’ and also an Act, intituled, ‘ An Act to regulate the Packing
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‘ of Beef and Pork, and to ascertain the Size of Casks,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. *Hall*, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the re-engrossed Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act for directing the Settlement of certain Debts contracted by the Citizens of this State previous to the 13th Day of *June*, 1781, on Principles of Equity,’ and acquainted this House that the said re-engrossed Bill was passed by the House of Assembly with the Amendments made by this House.

Resolved, That the said Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Thursday, June 19, 1783.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hendrickson*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Hendrickson* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the Bill, intitled, “ An Act to suspend, for a limited Time, the Operation of an Act herein after mentioned,” is rejected by this House.’

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Fenimore*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Fenimore* do carry to Council the Bill, intitled, “ An Act subjecting Proprietary Rights and Shares of Propriety, belonging to *Elias Bland*, deceased, to the Payment of Debts, and directing the Sheriff in his Proceedings therein,” and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.’

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Outwater*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ **T**HAT the Treasurer be directed to pay to *Peter Wilfon*, Esquire, for his Trouble and Expences in revising and compiling the Laws of this State since the Revolution, the Sum of *Seventy-five Pounds* in Specie ; and the Receipt of the said *Peter Wilfon*, Esq. shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Outwater* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Fell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to amend and continue an Act, intitled, An Act to provide a more effectual Remedy against excessive Costs in the Recovery of Debts above *Ten Pounds*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An additional Supplement to the Act, intitled, An Act for the regulating the Election of the Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners, of the State of *New-Jersey*,’ &c. was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to revive and continue an Act, intitled, An Act for the Relief of certain Persons who have purchased Property for the Use of the Publick ;’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to repeal four several Acts therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, and several Amendments made thereto ;

Ordered, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The said Bill was read a third Time with the Amendments ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill, as amended, do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. Fell,	Mr. Clark,	Mr. Carle,	Mr. Hand.
Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Hughes.	
Mr. Lawrence,			

Ordered, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hornblower* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

The House adjourned to Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Camp*, in the Words following :

‘ **T**HE House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by the Council to the Bill, intituled, “ An Act to repeal four several Acts therein mentioned,”

‘ *Resolved*, That the House do reject the said Amendments and adhere to their Bill.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Camp* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

The Council having taken the said Message into Consideration ; on the Question, Whether the House do recede from their said Amendments ? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Fell,	Mr. Cox,	Mr. Carle,
Mr. Hand.	Mr. Hornblower,	Mr. Reading,	Mr. Hughes.
	Mr. Lawrence,		

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House adhere to their Amendments.

Mr. *Hughes*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal three several Acts therein mentioned ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to revive and continue an Act, intituled, An Act for the Relief of certain Persons who have purchased Property for the Use of the Publick,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend and continue an Act, intituled, An Act to provide a more effectual Remedy against excessive Costs in the Recovery of Debts above Ten Pounds, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said two Bills are passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An additional Supplement to the Act, intituled, ‘ An Act for the regulating the Election of the Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners, of the State of *New-Jersey*,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to revive and continue an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to punish the Counterfeiters of foreign Gold or Silver Coin current within the Colony of *New-Jersey*, and the Utterers thereof knowing the same to be counterfeit ;’ also an Act, intituled, ‘ An Act to prevent the Exportation of unmerchable Flour to foreign Markets ;’ and also ‘ An Act to regulate the Packing of Beef and Pork, and to ascertain the Size of Casks,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said two Bills are passed by this House without Amendment.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Camp*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS the several Barracks in this State are much impaired, and continually receiving Damage for Want of proper Persons being appointed to rent out and keep the same in Repair ; and as there are belonging to the said Barracks some Articles that it will be for the Advantage of the Publick to dispose of,

‘ *Resolved*, That the following named Persons be and they hereby are appointed Commissioners

‘missioners to take Charge of the several Barracks and such Articles as belong thereto in this State, *via.* for the County of *Burlington*, *Samuel How*, Esq. for the County of *Hunterdon*, *Charles Axford*, jun. for the County of *Middlesex*, *Joseph Vickers* for the Barracks at *New-Brunswick*, and *John Griggs* for those at *Perth-Amboy*, for the County of *Essex*, *William Harriman*; and the said Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to take Charge of, put into tenantable Repair, and lease out all the said Barracks, Houses and Lands belonging thereto, except so much of the Barracks at *New-Brunswick* as may be appropriated by the Justices and Freeholders of the County of *Middlesex* for the Purpose of a Court and Gaol, provided that the Expence of Repairs shall not exceed the Amount of Rent that may be raised on said Barracks and Land; and that the said Commissioners do, as soon as convenient, dispose of all the publick Furniture belonging to the said Barracks, and in the County of *Essex* of all the Materials that have not been destroyed by the Fire when the same were burnt; and that they the said Commissioners keep a regular Account of Monies by them raised and expended in the Execution of the Business herein before specified, and lay an Account thereof, together with an Account of their Expences and Trouble, before the Legislature annually for Allowance and Settlement.

‘Ordered, That Mr. *Camp* do carry the said Resolution to the Council for Concurrence.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. *Hornblower*, from the Committee appointed on the 17th Inst. to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, to take into Consideration and report to the House what Offers may appear to be in the Power of the State to make Congress, in case it should be agreeable to them to make Choice of *New-Jersey* for their Place of permanent Residence, reported that he was ready to make Report when the House would be pleased to receive the same;

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately;

Whereupon,

Mr. *Hornblower* read the said Report in his Place, and delivered it in at the Table; which Report is in the Words following:

A Report of the Committee of the Council and House of Assembly containing Offers to invite Congress to make Choice of the State of *New-Jersey* for the Place of their permanent Residence.

1st. *Resolved*, That if the Honourable the Congress should think proper to make Choice of any Part of the State of *New-Jersey* for the Place of their permanent Residence, the Legislature of the State will invest them with such Jurisdiction, Authority and Power, over a District of twenty square Miles, as may be required by Congress as necessary for the Honour, Dignity, Convenience and Safety, of that august Body.

2d. *Resolved*, That this State will give and grant to the United States in Congress assembled, the Sum of *Thirty Thousand Pounds* in Specie, for the Purpose of procuring Lands and erecting Buildings thereon for the suitable Accommodations of Congress, to be held by them and their Successors forever.

3d. *Resolved*, That a Copy of these Resolutions, together with the Proceedings of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the western Part of the Township of *Nottingham*, in the County of *Burlington*, be transmitted to the Honourable the Congress.

4th. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Inhabitants of any other Parts of the State, who may be desirous of inviting the Residence of Congress amongst them, to signify the same, and transmit their Proposals to the Delegates representing this State in Congress, previous to the first *Monday* in *October* next, that Day being assigned by Congress to take such Offers as may be made by the several States into Consideration.

THOMAS SINNICKSON,	THOMAS HENDERSON,
THOMAS FENIMORE,	JOSIAH HORNBLOWER,
SAMUEL TUCKER,	ELISHA LAWRENCE.

The said Report was again read; on the Question, Whether the House agree thereto? *Resolved unanimously* in the Affirmative.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Fenimore*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Fenimore* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that this 11th of May 1783, the Council and House of Assembly, have agreed to the Report of the Committee of the Council and House of Assembly, containing Offers to invite Congress to make Choice of the State of *New-Jersey* for the Place of their permanent Residence.’

Ordered, That Mr. *Fell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the House have unanimously agreed to the said Report.

Mr. *Fell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

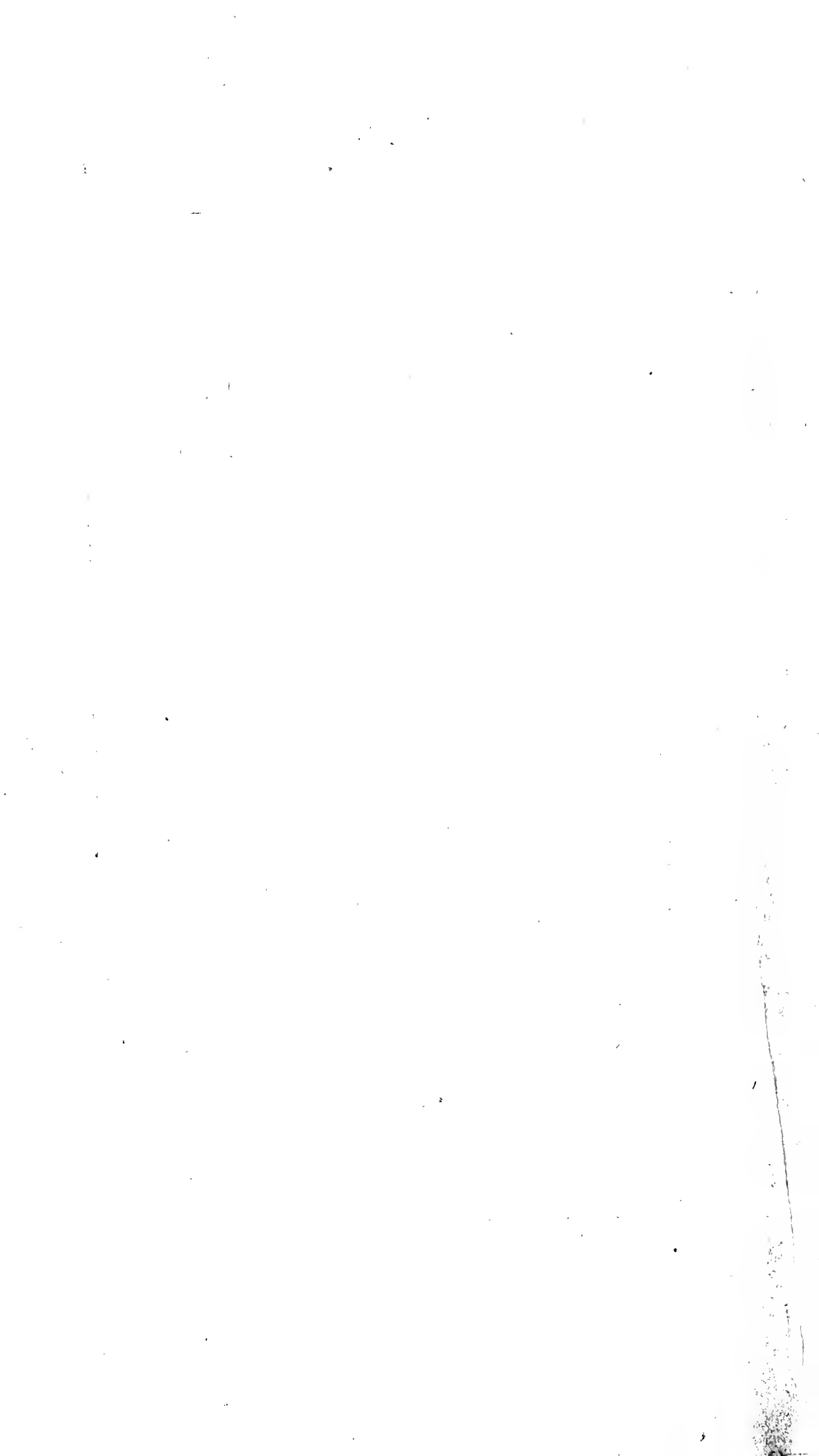
The Honourable *Ephraim Harris*, Esq. Speaker of the House of Assembly, came into Council, and acquainted the President that the House of Assembly had rose without Adjournment ;

Whereupon,

The Council rose also without Adjournment.

BY *Virtue* of an *Order* of Council, I appoint *Isaac Collins* to print these Journals.

W^{IL}. LIVINGSTON, President.



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